



St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School

Autumn Term 2026 curriculum information for parents.

Year 6 Classes: 6H, 6L and 6S

Teachers: Ms Hylton, Mr Lynch and Mrs Sugrue

This term we will be learning about:

Mathematics:

- Addition
 - Subtraction
 - Multiplication (short and long)
 - Division (short and long)
 - Investigating mathematical puzzles
 - Problem solving
 - Area and Perimeter
 - Measure
 - Estimating
 - Development of mental arithmetic skills
 - Use of standard written methods for calculations
- Your child should also explore mathematical concepts using <https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

English:

- Comprehension of a variety of genres including, newspaper articles, information texts and poetry.
- Development of writing skills that showcase pupils' learning of a range of spelling, punctuation and grammar concepts.
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- Diary writing and their key features.
- Fantasy adventures and their key features.
- Refining, editing and redrafting.
- We will be focusing our lessons on the book War Horse and Shakespeare's 'Macbeth'.

Home Learning:

Your child will receive all of their home learning for the week on Monday and this should be returned on Friday. Alongside this, your child should read for at least 30 minutes, and develop their mental arithmetic skills. Pupils will research difficult concepts and take notes in their journal. After half term, pupils will start SATs preparation using a CGP Homework pack which will be available for purchase from the school office. Pupils will make effective use of the school's website and other sites; <http://www.stjosephsrc.co.uk/school> <https://www.purplemash.com/login/> <https://www.mymaths.co.uk>

Science:

Classifying Organisms

- Know that organisms can be grouped according to their characteristics
- Describe the characteristics of different classifications of animals
- Match animals to their group according to their characteristics
- Find ways to distinguish between organisms that are similar and different
- Explain the difference between vascular and non-vascular plants
- know what micro-organisms are.

You can help your child by

Ensure that your child is present and arrives on time for school each day to maximise their learning time. Gates open at 8:20am and we start lessons at 8:30am. Support your child to complete their home learning to a high standard and hand it in on time. Provide pupils with necessary equipment for completing their learning tasks, including a Green biro pen, Berol handwriting pen - blue, Dry-wipe marker, and a Glue Stick. Help develop your child's problem-solving skills by asking them questions related to real life situations, e.g. time, cost of shopping etc. Encourage your child to read independently for thirty minutes each evening. Help your child to research effectively using a variety of sources, e.g. books, internet, pictures or plans etc ensuring e-safety. Ensure your child has their P.E kit and all equipment and resources that they would need for the school day. Labelling your child's clothes and PE kit with their full name and current class so that property can be returned if lost. Provide a piece of fruit for your children each day.

Religious Education

Creation and Covenant

During the topic of 'Creation and Covenant', we will learn about the truths about human nature and God's generosity.

Prophecy and Promise

We will explore how David points to Jesus, the Good Shepherd, linking David's anointing to Jesus' portrayal in the Gospels.

Caritas Children to develop an understanding of the Catholic Social teachings which highlights the importance of valuing human life and relationships, including social interactions.

RSHE Pupils will develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves as the basis for personal relationships. Pupils will learn that celebrating differences between people is enriching to a community and know that their self-confidence should arise from being loved by God. They will learn about the physical changes that boys and girls go through during puberty and how they should respect and take care of their bodies as gifts from God

Computing Online Safety and Coding

Pupils will explore how to keep themselves safe online using SMART rules.

In autumn term 2 pupils will plan and create algorithms using the '2Code' program.

Geography Extreme Earth

Pupils will learn about the Earth's climate and extreme weather conditions that can result in earthquakes, volcanic eruptions and tsunamis.

History WW1

Pupils will learn about World War 1, the causes of the war and the countries involved.

P.E

Pupils will develop their basketball and gymnastic skills through a variety of activities.

Musical Musicianship Skills/Samba Band

Pupils will develop their musical skills using percussion instruments. They will revise musical literacy for accuracy, and explore musical compositions from a variety of varying musical traditions and take part in concert performances.

French

Pupils will learn vocabulary and articles for 10 town places and how to give directions using prepositions through role-play. In the school unit, pupils will learn 10 subject names and conjugate "to study." They will express opinions and discuss when they study each subject.

Art in Flanders Field

Pupils will learn about different artists from WW1 and will explore different propaganda posters.

DT Shelters

Pupils will join and combine materials to create different types of shelters.