

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Knaresborough

a Voluntary Academy



Curriculum Newsletter for EYFS

Spring 1

<p>Maths:</p> <p>We will be continuing to work on building our confidence using numbers to 20 and understanding what a teen number is (10+a unit) and then counting on further up to 100. We will also be looking at pattern, symmetry and time (including minutes, days and hours as well as beginning to look at simple clock times.) We shall be naming the properties of 2D shapes and beginning to learn the names of every day 3D shapes. We will move on to measuring heights, weights and capacity.</p> 	<p>English:</p> <p>In Phonics we have begun to learn our Phase 3 sounds, including some digraphs. We will continue to learn new sounds and tricky words, please help us to consolidate these at home. In school we will also be practising our handwriting and using our new knowledge of sounds and letter formation, to build words and simple sentences. This half term we are looking at 'Our favourite stories' which include some traditional tales and some newer favourites. We will be re-telling them through drama, role play and using actions before writing our own accounts of our favourite stories.</p> 
<p>RE and Mass Dates:</p> <p>This term our RE topic is 'Getting to know Jesus' and aims to help children to understand the link between Christmas and Easter, with emphasis on some of the events in Jesus life and the stories that he told. Throughout all the sessions, runs the theme of Jesus' love for each child and how we can show our love for Him.</p>  <p>Whole school Epiphany mass will be on Tuesday 10.01.2017 and the whole school Passiontide Mass will be Tuesday 4th April 2017.</p>	<p>C&L / PSED / EA&D/ Topic</p> <p>This term will be looking at the PSED topics of 'Getting Along' and ' Saying No to Bullies'. This will link with our RE as we aim to teach the children to care for one another, negotiate sensitively and show compassion to one another. C&L is taught implicitly through our role-play and story-telling activities as well as through Show and Tell. (Please check the Parents Pin-board in the cloak-room for your child's Show and Tell dates.) Our Art and Design activities will be child-initiated alongside the topic of 'Our favourite Stories'.</p> 
<p>Tapestry Updates:</p> <p>Please feel free to upload photographs or learning observations that you have made at home. It is a lovely way for the children to share what they have been doing out of school and gives them a chance to develop their speaking and listening skills. There is a guide to using Tapestry on the class page on the website. If you are experiencing any difficulties with the app or website, please speak to Mrs Harrison.</p> 	<p>Physical Development</p> <p>This term the children will be taking part in a dance topic, which will be taught by Mrs Oultram. This will continue to be on a Wednesday afternoon so please ensure that they have a named PE bag for these sessions. Thank you.</p>  <p>To help your child at home, you could:</p> <p>Hear them read every day. Practise tricky words and newly learned sounds. Practise counting, firstly up to 10, then 20, then 100.</p>  