St John's Catholic Primary School

Autumn term Curriculum Newsletter

YEAR 4

Welcome to Autumn Term 2

We are very impressed with how most children have settled beautifully into Year Four and are really looking forward to our busy term ahead. This term will be busy with preparation for the Christmas Carol Concert, Remembrance Day and a sponsored charity run. The children will also consolidate their learning of the Catholic social teaching values.

Our PE day continues to be Thursday, please ensure children have a hoodie and a water bottle as we work with a specialist cricket coach this term!

Year Four children are expected to be reading at home every day. Please make sure that their Reading Records are signed as they read, and are brought in to school every day.

Year 4 Team

What are we learning in these key areas:

English:

Reading:
Our class book is 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' based on Norse Mythology.

Writing: letters, diaries, newspaper articles and narratives including speech.

Spelling: Words are sent home weekly in homework books.

Handwriting: Joined handwriting of a consistent size, ensuring letters sit correctly on the lines.

Maths:
Multiplication and Division
Consolidating on the 2,3,4,5 and 10 times tables.
Learning the other times tables, recognising any patterns between the tables.
Undertand that division is the opposite of multiplication.



Homework will be set on Friday, to be completed by Wednesday.

In addition to this:

- Spelling – words sent out weekly.
- Maths –Times Tables Rock Stars online – 15 minutes twice weekly.
- Reading – please ensure your child is reading every day.

What are we learning about across the Curriculum?

RE: Prophecy and promise. The children will study John the Baptist from Matthews gospel.

Science: States of Matter. How do liquid, gasses and solids differ? How do some materials change state? Also, learning the water cycle.

Geography: Desserts – children to understand in more depth what desserts are, their characteristics, and locate them on world maps.

Art: Using the landscapes, flora and fauna of desserts as a starting point, children develop drawings through experimentation and textile-based techniques to design a repeating pattern suitable for fabric.

PE: Cricket – Children will be learning lots of new skills from an experienced coach, including: throwing, catching, bowling and the rules of the game.

Computing: Data handling and investigating weather. Pupils will log data taken from online sources in a spreadsheet

Visits, Visitors and special events…

All parents are welcome to join us for our Carol Concert at ST John's Church. Thursday 17th December 2026.