

Saint Martin de Porres

Catholic Primary School



Year 1

Autumn term 2019

Welcome back! We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable holiday. We are looking forward to an exciting and busy term. Please look out for the newsletter during this term which will have lots of helpful information and diary dates.



We will continue to have a particular focus on reading this term. Supporting your child to read, encouraging your child to read with you and reading to them regularly, all have a huge impact on their learning.



A FEW REMINDERS FOR THIS TERM

Water bottles: A reusable bottle should be brought to school everyday. Water, not squash or juice.

PE is on a Monday. Come into school in your PE kit. All items must be named.

Homework will be sent out on Friday. It will then need to be handed in the following Friday and will be given the following Friday.

Home Readers: Check your child's reading day.

Named uniform: Please ensure your child's clothing is clearly labelled with their names. Especially jumpers!

Mass: For the foreseeable future there will be no whole school mass however, class worship and prayer will still take place.



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OUR LEARNING IN AUTUMN 1

RE

Families and Celebration:

Children will explore the Creation story and why it is important to Christians. We will look at celebrations that we have throughout the year, why we celebrate these different events, who else celebrates these events and how we can celebrate them.

Maths

Count, read and write numbers to 20 and beyond- forwards and backwards, starting from any number. Find one more and one less from any given number. Use objects and pictures to represent numbers and compare them using appropriate language. Count in multiples of twos. Represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts (within 10). Add and subtract one digit numbers using the correct signs. Solve problems that involve addition and subtraction.

English

Stories with familiar settings: Children will learn what a familiar setting is and we will think about why authors might want to use familiar settings. Children will also practise to include adjectives within their writing, especially when describing a setting to make it sound more exciting.

Labels, lists and captions: Children will look at the purpose of labels, lists and captions and where we find them.

PSHE

In our lessons we will have mutual respect of each other's families and reasons to celebrate; tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs. We will praise and reward each other's efforts in class.

Science

Seasons: Children will learn about the different seasons and how they affect the world around us. They will investigate which weather is associated with each season and begin to use equipment to measure different forms of weather. This half term we will focus on Autumn and what we associate with this season.

History

Toys: Children will generate ideas from their own experience and compare toys of today to Victorian toys. Discuss ideas and explore the sensory qualities of materials by examining toys. The children will learn how the working characteristics of materials and think about why they are used. Children will learn how mechanisms can be used to make things move in different ways.

Computing

The children will practise logging onto computers and developing their mouse skills. Using programmable toys: The children will programme toys to move round maps. They will start by thinking of algorithms for their routes. They will learn to predict and debug programmes. E-Safety: Pupils will follow special guidelines produced by Switched On computing.



PE

Children will be learning to move in different ways. They will also start learning some gymnastics skills.



OUR LEARNING IN AUTUMN 2



RE

Advent and Christmas: Children will be learning about the meaning of advent and how we can prepare ourselves for Jesus' birthday. We will also look at the meaning of the advent wreath and how we can use this to prepare ourselves for Christmas. Children will learn about the Christmas story starting with the annunciation and thinking about the feelings of Mary when she heard the news and onto the birth of Jesus and being able to sequence and retell the events. We will look at Joseph's dream and also why Christmas is such an important event in the Catholic Church.

Maths

Recognise and name common 2D and 3D shapes. Revise counting, reading and writing numbers up to 20 and beyond. Count in multiples of twos and fives. Represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts (within 10). They will start to become fluent with addition and subtraction facts to 10 and solve problems involving addition and subtraction.

English

Stories from other cultures: Children will read a range of stories from other cultures and investigate their pattern and language. Some of the stories will have a pattern and children will think about the effect that this has on a reader. Children will be able to adapt and write their own additions and versions of the stories.

Instructions: Children will be given instructions to create and do a variety of things.

PSHE

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Science

Materials: Children will investigate a variety of different common materials and look in detail at their properties through sorting, grouping and close consideration. They will examine which materials are used for different objects and begin to consider why. They will investigate the appropriateness of using certain materials for specific jobs.

Geography

My School: Children will start to look at the geography of their school and classroom and locate themselves on a map. They will become familiar with different features in a classroom and a school.

Computing

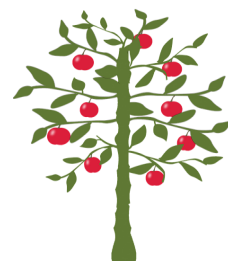
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PE

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Story reading ideas for this term:

- The Incredible Book Eating Boy by Oliver Jeffers
- The man on the Moon by Simon Bartram
- Aliens Love Underpants by Clare Freedman



Factual reading ideas for this term:

- Women in Science: 50 Fearless Pioneers Who Changed the World by Rachel Ignatofsky
- The bacteria book: gross germs, vile viruses and funky fungi by Steve Mould

Fancy reading a magazine? Have you tried one of these?

- First News
- The Week Junior
- The Beano
- Jacqueline Wilson Magazine
- National Geographic Kids

