



We live and learn
in the light of Christ

All About me!

EYFS

Autumn Term 2022



Our Drivers

*Faith
Multiculturalism
Aspirations*

This newsletter is intended to give you an insight into the Autumn Term so that you know a little about what we will be learning. We are spending the first term settling the children into their new classroom, school and routine. We will spend time getting to know each other and finding out about what makes each of us unique!



Phonics

As a school we follow RWI phonics. We will soon begin Phonics by focussing on lots of speaking and listening skills. These skills are vital; please help support your child by playing simple listening games, listening walks (what can you hear when you are at the park) I spy etc.

Soon the children will come home with a reading book. To begin with this will be a picture book to encourage communication and basic story telling. Please encourage your child to re-tell stories to you at home.

We then begin by learning Set 1 phonics sounds which are single sounds. We will hold a Parent Workshop in the school hall where you will be able to find out more about phonics and how you can support their learning journey too.



Literacy

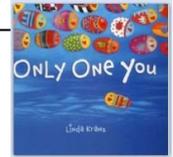
We love learning through stories. Here are some of the stories we will base our writing on;

Elmer- David McKee

Giraffes can't dance- Giles Andreae

Only one you- Lidia Krams

We also follow the children's interests with books/ideas they would like to explore. We will explore what is special about each one of us



PE

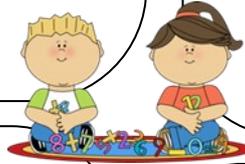
Unit 1- PE fundamentals. We will use our balance equipment to build our core strength and understand the fundamentals of movement.

We love using the apparatus to build our confidence!

Unit 2- Gymnastics

PE day- Tuesday afternoons :)

Please label ALL items of clothing!



Maths

We will use the Number-blocks to help us understand number.

- Recognising numbers to 5 and 10
- Understanding the "oneness of one"
- Counting to 10
- Understanding shape and re-creating patterns.



The World



We will begin to explore seasons and the changes that take place. We will go on a special Autumn Walk to observe what happens during Autumn.

The children will have lots of time to explore the computers. We are very excited to have some iPads in class to support our learning too!

Expressive Arts and Design

Self-portraits using pencil and paint

Collaging a picture of our family

Body percussion

Printing with fruits and vegetables

Model making of houses and transport



RE at SS Peter and Paul's

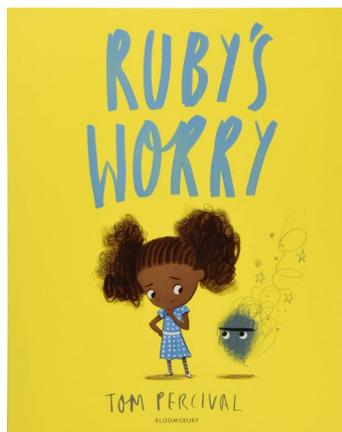
The first weeks into School are very important for the children as they begin to follow school rules and the rules of being within a Catholic school. We have started to learn how to make the sign of the cross and some simple prayers. The children are trying really hard but please help support your child in making the sign of the cross correctly.

This terms work for RE will focus upon how we can grow as God's children. We will look at how we can follow school rules and rules of the Church. We will focus on how to act during Mass and look at lots of different bible stories- focusing on the Story of Creation.

We will also look at the Harvest Festival and how we can help others. The second half term will lend itself into Advent and Christmas where we will look closely at how Christians celebrate these special events.



PSHE stories...

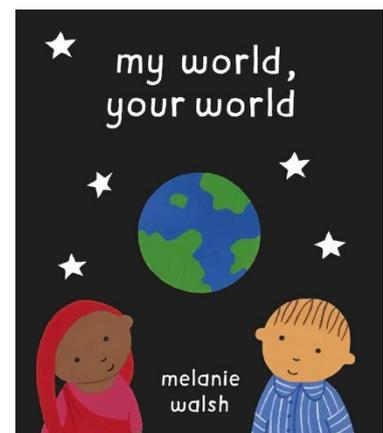


We often come together during circle time to learn new stories and talk about likes/ dislikes, worries/emotions etc.

We know we all have a voice and can share our ideas in a safe environment.



We love finding out what makes us all unique!



How to support your child at home...



Read each night together, enjoy sharing stories together and talk about what might happen next.

Play games such as I spy– this is great for starting to hear first sounds in words!

Counting games such as snakes and ladders or board games to understand/ recognise number and simple addition.

Number rhymes– again this is great for reciting numbers in order and taking away e.g. 5 currant buns, 5 speckled frogs.

Encourage your child to be independent, this is the age where they will start to want to do small tasks on their own, continue to encourage this as this will help them become confident and independent learners. Getting dressed/undressed is also very important for them to be able to achieve themselves (although we understand shirt buttons are very tricky!)

Please encourage your child to put on their coat and fasten it up independently.

Talk to your child, expose them to new vocabulary and encourage them to talk
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Rewards

Every day children are rewarded for good behaviour and good work during their activities. They receive stamps on their reward cards and once it is complete they will receive a “Merit Certificate” in Friday’s Celebration Assembly. Each week one child is awarded Star of the



too.