



# St Joseph's Primary

## CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Term 3



### Primary 2

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Dear Parent/ Guardian,

Welcome to our final P2 curriculum newsletter for the 24-25 session which will give you some key information for this term

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#### General



Children have their login information for **Google Classroom** and all children are gaining confidence to log in to the Google Classroom independently. Please continue to encourage your child to do this at home. All homework is now set on Google Classroom. If you need any support with this, please get in touch or access our school [website](#).

### Curriculum Learning

#### Expressive Arts

Primary 2 are going to be focusing on the Expressive Arts. In Art, we will be learning about the artist Wassily Kandinsky. The children will explore primary and secondary colours, using these to create their own vibrant, Kandinsky-inspired artwork. Through our Drama lessons, we'll be exploring the world of fairytales, introducing techniques such as mime and freeze frames to help the children bring stories to life through performance. During Music, we will be working on keeping a steady beat and discovering how to change pitch using fun, interactive activities like Chrome Music Lab. We are really looking forward to seeing the children's creativity and confidence shine through in all areas of the Expressive Arts this term!

#### Literacy



In Literacy, Primary 2 will be learning about persuasive writing. We will explore different techniques, including using simple persuasive vocabulary and writing from a first-person perspective. In Grammar this term, Primary 2 will focus on adverbs and plurals, learning when to add 's' or 'es' to make words plural. Alongside this, we'll be practising new common and tricky words for Term 3. Regular practice of these words is important as it helps build reading fluency and spelling accuracy, boosting confidence in independent writing. We will also revisit and consolidate words from Terms 1 and 2. Families can help by encouraging children to spot tricky words in their reading books or practice them together at home.

#### Numeracy and Maths



This term in Numeracy, Primary 2 will be continuing to build confidence through our daily Number Talks sessions. We will be revising and consolidating taught strategies, including changing the order of numbers, making ten, doubles and near doubles, and making friendly numbers to help solve calculations more efficiently. In our Measure topic, we will begin by exploring weight, using non-standard units before introducing grams and kilograms. We will then move on to learning about capacity, measuring in millilitres and litres. Throughout this topic, we will be discussing how these measuring skills are used in everyday life – such as cooking, shopping, and measuring ingredients – helping the children to see the importance of numeracy in the world around them.

## Health and Wellbeing



This term, Primary 2 will focus on developing our skills in fielding and striking during PE. We will be learning how to play games that involve hitting and catching the ball, which helps improve our hand-eye coordination and teamwork. In Health and Wellbeing, we will also be learning about substance misuse and how to keep ourselves safe. We will talk about making healthy choices, understanding that some substances are not safe for us, and how we can look after our bodies and minds. These lessons will help the children understand how to stay safe and make good decisions.

## Religious Education



This term in Religious Education, Primary 2 will be doing *God's Loving Plan*. Through this, we will be learning about how we are all made in the image of God, how much God loves each one of us, and how we can show love, care, and kindness in our relationships with others. We will also be learning about the special month of Mary, which is celebrated in May. The children will explore why Mary is important and learn about the Rosary, taking time to reflect on the life of Jesus through prayer. In addition, we will learn about Jesus the Teacher, thinking about the important lessons He shared and how we can follow His example in our everyday lives. We look forward to nurturing the children's faith as they grow in understanding of God's love for them and for others.

## Modern Languages



Salut! This term, Primary 2 will be learning about the days of the week and the months of the year in French. To help us with this, we'll be exploring the much-loved story *'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'* in French. The children will have fun learning new words and phrases as they follow the caterpillar's journey through the days of the week and the tasty treats he eats. We are excited to use songs, stories and games to help build the children's confidence in using French in a fun and meaningful way.

## Notes:

Please remember to come to school with a water bottle and homework folder every day. All homework must be brought into school on Friday so that reading books can be collected and new homework can be given out. Any questions please use the communication diary in the homework folder.

Thank you for all the great achievements each week with our Joe Bear. It has been lovely for the children to share their experiences and for us to share their achievements in class. We will continue this in Term 3. Please continue to support us and discuss the sack of skills with your child.

### Dates for the Diary:

*Rookie Rockstars is an initiative that was created to give children the opportunity to work with professional musicians to learn original songs and perform in a fantastic concert which will take place on these dates:*

**P2a - Wednesday 7th May at 6.30pm in the School Hall.**

**P2b - Thursday 8th May at 6.30pm in the School Hall.**

**Off-Grid P2a - Friday 6th June 25**

**Off-Grid P2b - Wednesday 11th June 25**

*(Children come in wearing clothing suitable for outdoors and all weathers with their full uniform in their bag to change into when we get back to school.)*

**Please log in and follow your child's learning here: [Twitter Link](#)**