

St Francis Primary School Curriculum Information for Parents/Carers

Primary 1

Literacy and English 	This term in our reading lessons we will be exploring the features and differences of fiction and non-fiction texts and will focus on the reading skills of prediction. Using Phonics International we will build on our knowledge of phonics by exploring initial sounds e.g. s, a, t and p. We will also begin to blend and segment three letter words such as pat. The children will begin to explore The Foundations of Writing Drawing Programme. The children will be encouraged to continue to share their ideas, thoughts and opinions during class and group discussions and to demonstrate good listening skills.
Numeracy and Maths 	This term in numeracy and maths we will begin to explore numbers 0-10 and explore different ways to make these numbers. We will use concrete and pictorial strategies such as cubes or a number line. We will practise counting forward and backwards to 20 and beyond. In mathematics will introduce 2D shapes and explore them within our environment. We will also explore different patterns and create our own pattern.
Health and Wellbeing /PE 	In Health and Wellbeing this term children will be learning about friendship and the qualities of a good friend. We will begin to explore our feelings and emotions through PATHS lessons. As part of Health and Wellbeing we will be exploring good hygiene practices e.g. hand washing and making healthy lifestyle choices by exploring different food groups. In P.E. the children will be learning ball skills and balancing. Please remember that Primary 1 have gym on the following days: Primary 1a- Wednesday Primary 1b- Thursday Primary 2/1- Thursdsy All jewellery should be removed.
Religious Education 	This term the children will be learning about Mary the Mother of Jesus. The children will begin to learn the school prayers this term. We will learn that we are all unique and that our gifts and talents come from God. We will continue to learn new hymns during weekly assembly.
IDL 	This term for IDL our topic is People Who Help Us. In this topic we will be learning about different people in our local community and the help and support they provide. We will continue to explore our school building and the adults who help us.

Technologies 	In technology we will begin to explore iPad skills with our Primary 7 buddies. We will look at different applications such as Book Creator. We will also explore the use of the internet by playing educational games on TopMarks.
Expressive Arts Music/ Drama/ Art  	Music: We will participate in lessons with our CREATE tutor Mrs. Rodger we will learn about beat and rhythm. We will also learn a range of new songs with both teachers. Art: In Art we will explore line, colour and pattern during Art lessons by creating a range of images. In addition, we will explore friendship by creating friendship clouds for our peers. Drama: Pupils will be introduced to mime in drama, we will use this to explore our topics this term. We will also use hot seating to explore a range of Julia Donaldson stories this term.
Modern Languages 	In languages this term will begin to learn numbers and greetings.