

Important dates for Year 1:

Monday 21st September 4.30pm- Virtual Welcome Meeting

Wednesday 21st October – Parent consultations

Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October – Half term

Friday 18th December – End of term – School closes at 1.30pm

How can I help at home?

- ✓ Please help your child to be organised with their time to ensure home learning is completed. Three pieces should be handed in each half term (One RE and two other subjects).
- ✓ Help your child to be organised –
 - Are there any letters for me in your bag?
 - Have you got your reading book?
 - Is your completed homework in there too?
- ✓ The children should have a PE kit in school every day. They should bring a coat to school every day during the Autumn term.
- ✓ Please continue to read with the children at home. A variety of different strategies should be used. Parents can model expression and intonation.
- ✓ Continue to encourage children to read print in the environment, for example shop signs and menus.
- ✓ Develop maths skills by playing board games, cooking and beginning to look at clocks at home.

Ss Alban and Stephen Catholic Primary School



Year 1 Parent Information Booklet

*What your child will be learning about this term and
how you can help at home*

Autumn Term 2020

Literacy

Throughout the term, we will be reading stories and information books about toys, weather and seasons. We will be exploring different types of writing including recounts, lists, stories, invitations and letters. We will also be listening to and making up some simple poems. The children will continue to have a daily phonics session at school and will be encouraged to use their phonics skills in their own reading and writing.



HOW YOU CAN HELP

Practise reading and spelling the tricky words that they bring home. Encourage children to read for 10 minutes per day. Children can also use www.phonicsplay.com and the Alphablocks series on BBC iplayer.

Maths

We will be learning to use positional and ordinal language (e.g. first, second, third). We will be learning to 'Subitise' numbers which means recognising patterns of how many there are without needing to count. We will be comparing numbers using the vocabulary more and fewer. We will also be learning to find 1 more and 1 less than numbers to 20. We will be learning to split up numbers in different ways and to use a part-whole model. We will learn to add and subtract numbers using practical resources and mental strategies. We will learn to name and describe common 2d and 3d shapes.



HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Children can use 'Numbots' to learn about number bonds to 20 and play board games to develop a range of mathematical skills.

Religion:

Family - We will learn that God loves every family and we will listen to the Creation story.

Belonging – We will learn that Catholic's are welcomed into God's family through the Sacrament of Baptism and about what happens at a Baptism.

Waiting – We will learn that Advent is a time when we prepare for Christmas and will listen to and retell the Nativity story.

Judaism- We will find out about some of the ways that Jewish people worship. We will also listen to and retell the story of Abraham and Sarah.



Foundation Subjects:

History

We will learn about the history of toys:

- Toys past and present.
- Different historical sources – books, artefacts, people, museums, internet.

Geography

We will learn about the Weather and our local area.

- Seasonal change – Autumn.
- Walks in our school grounds and local area.
- Creating simple map

Art

- Observational drawing skills – sketch teddy bears, trees, Autumn leaves.
- Painting – learn about paint mixing.
- Collage using natural materials in the style of the artist Andy Goldsworthy.

Design and Technology

- Design and make toys using construction and junk modelling.
- Create a sock puppet.
- Christmas crafts.

Science

Animals including humans

- Name parts of body.
- Name and explore the 5 senses.
- Learn about how to keep healthy.

Materials

- Name common materials and learn about their uses.
- Explore some of the ways materials can be changed e.g. melting ice.

PE

We will be working on our fitness, personal challenges and teamwork activities this term.

Music:

Children will play untuned instruments to a steady beat, with control and will begin to create simple rhythmic patterns.

Computing

The children will learn to log on, access various programs from a menu and shut down the computers. They will be using painting programs and using the keyboard to type words or captions. They will also begin to program the BeeBot Robots.