

Important dates for Year 2:

Wednesday 13th September – 9:00-9:30 Welcome Meeting
Year 2

Friday 29th September – 9:00am Little Wandle Phonics
Parent workshop

Thursday October 19th-13:00-19:00pm Parents' Evening

Friday October 20th-9am-10 am Parent Coffee Morning-
meet the SLT/ Governors

Monday 23rd October – Friday 23th October – Half term

Monday 30th October- Return to School

(TBC)- Individual Photographs

(TBC) The Nativity for KS1 Parents

Thursday 21st December- 13:20 Last day of Term

How can I help at home?

- ✓ Help your child to be organised –
Are there any letters for me in your bag?
Have you got your reading book?
- ✓ Please continue to read with the children at home. A variety of types of reading – them to you, you to them, or silent reading, are all worthwhile.
- ✓ Please could they have their reading book in their bag every day.
- ✓ Please help your child to be organised with their time to ensure homework is completed.

Library: We will visit the library, situated on the lower site once every two weeks. The children will be able to choose a book to bring home.

St. Alban and St. Stephen Catholic Primary School



Year 2 Parent Information Booklet

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

'Learning and growing with God by our side'

Autumn Term 2023

English

Letters and Information Leaflets: We will begin the term by reading the story 'Paddington' by Michael Bond. As part of this unit, children will focus on expanded noun phrases, conjunctions and writing in the first person. They will then use these skills to write postcards and letters. We will continue with the theme of London by reading the story 'Katie in London' by James Mayhew. In this unit we will focus on writing an information leaflet. Finally, they will learn to proof read for spelling and punctuation errors to edit their work.

Narrative: In this unit we will be reading the story 'How to catch a Star' by Oliver Jeffers. As part of this unit, children will show their understanding by sequencing the story and answering a range of comprehension questions. They will then focus on how to write a story using descriptive language. Our final story of this term will be 'The Christmas Eve Tree' and our main focus will be to write diary entries.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Please encourage your children to practise their spellings each week and ask them about their learning

Maths:

We will be securing fluency to 20, looking at a variety of place value-making tens and some more, we will learn how to regroup two-digit numbers. Children will practise counting on and back in tens from any number and they will order and compare numbers to 100 and quantities for measures. They will learn how to estimate and add and subtract numbers to 20 mentally. They will also find complements of 10 and 100 using measures.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Counting games, cooking at home – allowing the children to measure the ingredients.

R.E:

Beginnings : The children learn about the story of creation and how God loves us. We will focus on the importance of prayer in our lives.

Signs and Symbols: The children will learn about the signs and Symbols of Baptism.

Judaism: We learn all about Shabbat. Why it is celebrated and what makes it special.

Preparations: We think of how we prepare, during Advent, for the birth of Jesus.

Music: This term, we will begin to understand the difference between pulse and rhythm. To create our own rhythmic patterns using untuned percussion.

History- The Great Fire of London and the Gunpowder Plot

We will learn about historical sources, such as artefacts, pictures and diaries.

- Find out about significant people from history, such as Samuel Pepys and Guy Fawkes.
- Learn about significant events from the past.

Geography - Why is London an important city?

- Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.
- London- where it is, how we get there, key geographical features and landmarks.
- What is air pollution and why is it an issue in London? How could air pollution be reduced in the city?

Art/ D.T

We will be drawing and sketching and linking our art work to the books about Paddington and the illustrator R.W Alley.

Science

Animals including humans

Children learn about what we need to survive and be healthy. Children will explore the need for humans to eat a varied diet, to keep themselves clean, and to take regular exercise.

Materials We will examine everyday materials and their uses. We will compare how things move on different surfaces and how the shape of solid objects made from some materials can be changed.

PE: This term, we will be learning to use dodging skills and to perform a sequence of linked movements.

Computing:

We will find out about parts of a computer and the roles of different computers in our daily lives. We will then think about algorithms and writing short programs to run.

HOW YOU CAN HELP: *Remind children of their responsibility to stay safe online and always use trusted websites. They should not have any social media accounts and all other accounts (such as online games) should be monitored at all times.*