

St. John's Catholic Primary School



H.A.S.T. Form (Home and School Together)

Teacher: Mrs Cairns (1C) Miss Edge (1E)

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Rawes and Miss Wood

Term: Autumn 2026

Please remember the days for:

Library

We take the children to the Library on **Monday (pm)**, so please ensure your child brings in their book for changing.

P.E.

Our P.E. sessions are timetabled for **Friday (pm)**. Please ensure your child has their P.E kit in school on this day.

Homework Timetable:

Spellings: Spellings will be set half termly and sent home in your child's spelling book. Please can you ensure the spelling book is in school each Friday ready for the spelling test.

Reading: Reading bags should be brought into school every day. Children will have the opportunity to change their reading books at least once a week. There is an expectation that all children read a minimum of three times a week and for reading records to be completed

R.E	Autumn Term 1 – Creation and Covenant The children will listen to the Scripture of The Story of Creation and reflect upon God’s gift to us of our wonderful world. Children will look at how we can see God’s love in everything he created and how as a community, we come together to love and care for the world. Children will recognise that God made each of us, we are special and unique and must treat others in a caring way. Autumn Term 2 – Prophecy and Promise The children will listen to the stories of the birth of Christ beginning with The Annunciation and ending with The Visit of the Shepherds. They will recognise that because God loves us, he gave us the gift of his only son Jesus. We will celebrate Jesus’ mother Mary by learning the Hail Mary. We will also look at how Catholics around the world honour Mary and how Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus.
Literacy	Children will experience a range of different text types, including: stories with familiar settings and situations. They will be sequencing stories, creating rhyming patterns and using adjectives to describe characters and settings. Non-fiction work will cover labels, lists and captions, information texts and instructions. They will also be exploring poetry themed around using their senses and the season of Autumn. Children will take part in daily phonics and reading lessons using the Read, Write Inc scheme. They will spend time focusing on basic skills including handwriting in which we will focus on correct pencil grip and control along with letter formation.
Maths	Children will learn to: Count on and back in ones from any number within 0 – 20. Count to at least 20 objects reliably and compare and order numbers within this range. Be able to say the number 1 more or 1 less for numbers within the 0 – 20 range initially and then beyond. In calculations children will add and subtract small numbers, recall number pairs that make 5 and 10. They will use this knowledge to solve mathematical problems. Children will identify 2D shapes and be able to sort/group them according to their properties.

Science	Our Science unit this term is 'Animals including humans'. The children will be labelling parts of their body, comparing and categorising animals and investigating what animals eat to identify if they are omnivores, carnivores or herbivores. They will develop their knowledge of the five senses and use them to write an Autumn senses poem. Throughout the year we will be observing seasonal changes looking at how our school environment changes. This will begin with Autumn and leads into Winter.
Geography	In Geography children will be learning about 'Our Local Area'. This will involve looking at our local area, identifying things that they like and things that they would improve. They will use Google Earth to identify the school and local features. They will also map the things they see on their route to school.
DT	In DT we will be learning about structures and the children will produce their own model of a piece of park equipment e.g swing or slide.
History	Children will be learning about the 'Past and Present' with a focus on Toys. They will be learning how our toys are different from toys in the past. This unit looks at the similarities and differences between toys today and toys from the past. Children will be introduced to the concepts of 'old' and 'new', and encouraged to think about the similarities and differences between two eras.
Art	In Art we will be exploring lines and mark making with a focus on Van Gogh. We will be looking at landscape drawings and have the opportunity to sketch our own.
Music	In Music children will be exploring rhythm and pulse, creating patterns and identifying strong beats.
Computing	In Computing children will be taught basic computing skills knowing how to log in and shut down a computer accurately and begin to understand the importance of a password. As the internet is used daily in the classroom the children will be continuously made aware of internet safety.

P.E	On Tuesdays, children will continue to take part in a PE lessons focusing on Gymnastics and ball games. In games children will be developing their throwing and catching skills. Children will explore basic body actions (e.g. jumping and turning) and use different parts of their body to make movements. They will create and repeat short routines.
Music	Children will take part in weekly Music sessions with a specialist teacher. They will develop their musical skills, including listening, singing and using basic percussion instruments to explore rhythm. The children will also take part in using the schools music programme Charanga. This will help them to further develop their musical skills. In Autumn, they will learn the Hip Hop song 'Hey You!' which will teach them about the differences between pulse, rhythm and pitch.
PSHE	In PSHE this term, children will have the opportunity to learn about relationships. We will be exploring families and friendships, safe relationships and respecting ourselves and others.