



# St Francis' Catholic Primary School

## Curriculum Newsletter



### Year 4

### Year Group and Staff

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Teachers: Ms Alexander Mrs Keaney

Support Staff: Mrs Zariat

## English

Children will be reading a range of stories with familiar settings and will write descriptive settings of their own. They will be exploring some of Tales by reading books from Centre for Literacy in Primary Education- (The Power of Reading), then writing their own stories and producing art work based on the books read. Our books for this term will be "Waiting for Wolf" and "Poetry collection"



## Maths

Children will be solving problems involving the four operations. They will also learn how to use mental and written methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. They will identify and compare fractions as well as finding fractions of quantities. Children will continue to learn the 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9 multiplication and related division facts.



## Science



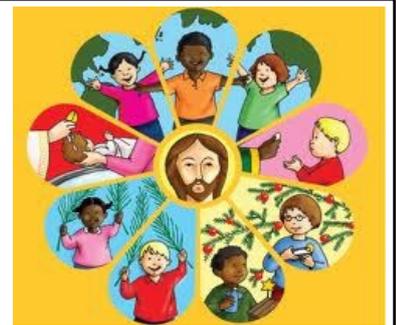
### Living Things and Their Habits

Children will describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. They identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions. They will construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey in the local and wider environment.

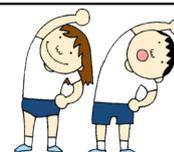
## R.E.

For RE lessons we will continue to use the **Come and See** scheme of work and will be looking into:

**SELF DISCIPLINE** - Celebrating growth to new life



## PE



Year 4 will continue to have PE every Monday. Your child will learn how to play striking and fielding games and apply basic principles suitable for games like cricket and rounders.

Please ensure that your child brings an appropriate PE kit every Monday and leaves it in school until Friday.



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### History/ Geography

#### Romans- When did the Romans invade and why?

This term we will focus on 'The Romans'. Children will investigate a living timeline looking at the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain at the time and the legacy it left us. They will be introduced to the Romans; learn a bit about the history of Rome - legend and fact - the settlement, explorers and invasions, as well as understand where in Europe Rome is, and how the Romans came to extend their influence and create such a large and influential Em-

### Computing

#### Animation

This unit teaches children the basic principles and techniques of simple animation. Beginning with the history of animation, children will research some of the early animation techniques used before the use of computers. We will then compare a range of free animation software and children will incorporate the different techniques into their own animation. After experimenting, children are then given the opportunity to evaluate their experiences in the final lesson.



### MFL - French

In French, the children will be learning

- Places around town
- Symbols and names of places
- Attempt to verbally give directions



## Homework

Children are expected to complete their own homework independently, however parents need to **check** it before it is handed in to confirm that homework is of an **acceptable standard**.

Homework is sent out on **Friday** and is due back on **Tuesday**.

### Healthy School

In Year 4 children are still able to bring snacks at break time, but please remember these need to be of a healthy variety (not biscuits).

When preparing bags, please re- not give any out. We appreci-



birthday party member we can sweets or cake ate your on going

**Extra! Extra! Read all about it!**



Please read with your child every day and ask them questions about what they are reading. Your child must bring their book to school every day as they often read quietly during the school day.

