

# St Francis' Catholic Primary School

## Curriculum Newsletter



Year 2

Year Group and Staff

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Teacher: Miss Aidoo  
Support Staff: Mrs Nicholls

### English

This term we will be looking at stories with familiar settings, traditional tales, reports, letters and postcards and poetry. We will be reading the books 'Dark' and 'The Jolly Postman.' We will also be exploring the poem 'Fridge' by the famous poet Michael Rosen.

These texts offer young readers a good stimulus for their own descriptive writing.

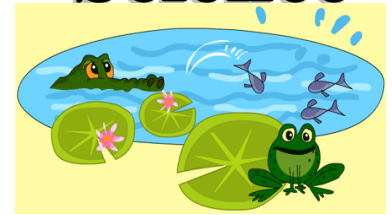


### Maths

The children will be looking at number and place value, mental addition and subtraction strategies. The children will also have the opportunity to explore geometry: position and direction, measurement, mental multiplication and division skills. We will also be focusing on learning the times tables in and out of order.



### Science



#### Materials

Year 2 will learn about materials, their properties and what makes them suitable for different purposes. They will explore how the shapes of objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. In doing this they raise questions, perform simple tests, and gather and record data.

### R.E.

For RE lessons we will use **Come and See** and will be looking into:

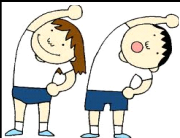
**Beginnings:** God at every beginning.

**Signs and symbols:** What happens at a Baptism?

**Preparations:** Advent as a time to prepare for Christmas

**Judaism-** Shabbat

**St Francis Feast Day**



### PE

Please ensure that your child brings appropriate PE kit and leaves it in school for the week.

**Lessons will take place each Wednesday.**

Year 2 will explore the topic 'Keep Fit' which focuses on supporting the children to understand how exercise forms part of a healthy lifestyle. During the second part of the Autumn term the children will be exploring different types of dance.

### WWW

To support your child at home please continue to use:

[www.educationcity.co.uk](http://www.educationcity.co.uk)



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### History and Geography

For Black History we will be exploring the journey taken by the Windrush generation to the UK. The children will be exploring why so many people decided to leave their homes to come to the UK. The children will be considering questions such as How did people travel to the UK? Whom did they travel with? What did they choose to bring with them? Why?

Later on in the term the children will be learning about the oceans and seas of the world and where they are located on a world map.

### Computing



The children will develop their understanding of what information technology (IT) is and will begin to identify examples. They will discuss where they have seen IT in school and beyond.



Year 2 will learn to name animals and family members. They will also explore identifying the names of clothes.

## Homework



Children are expected to complete their own homework. Homework is posted online on Google classroom on **Friday** and is expected to be completed and turned in by Tuesday.

If homework is not turned in by Tuesday it may not be marked before the next week's homework is given.



This term we will be exploring pitch, pulse and rhythm through the songs, 'Hand feet and heart' and 'Ho Ho Ho'

### Extra! Extra! Read all about it!

Please read with your child every day. Once you have heard your child read, ask them questions about the book.



Once you have signed and re-turned the book and Home/School reader, it will be changed.

