

Art:

In Art, we will focus on drawing and painting. Children will use a range of tools and textures to draw landscapes and patterns. Children will also study colour and collage by looking at a collection of colour and focusing on skills such as weaving and sorting.

Computing:

In Computing, children will look at 'My Online Life' in which they will look at how to communicate online, what to share, what information they can find and what online bullying is. They will then animate with shapes and create their own animation.

Religious Education – Come & See:

The first RE topic will focus on 'Families' and how they show love and care. Children will then have one week studying Islam, focusing on stories and Muhammad. They will then move onto 'Belonging'; looking at belonging to God's family in baptism. The Advent topic will then look at waiting for the birth of Jesus.

Important Information:

Homework will be set every Friday and is to be returned by the following Thursday. Reading books need to be read 3 times and diaries signed before they are changed. Please send them in every Friday to be changed. Any important updates will be posted on Twitter and Class Dojo. Please ensure that you are connected on Class Dojo and that you check it for updates regularly. If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to ask!



ST. GERARD'S
CATHOLIC
PRIMARY AND
NURSERY SCHOOL

Year 1 Curriculum Information Autumn Term 2023

"Our school is a place of learning within a loving and Christian community. We achieve this through our mission statement: "Guided by God, St Gerard's is an inspiring and aspirational community where we learn to love, hope, dream and achieve. All staff, children, governors and parents contribute to school life and share in its growth and well-being."

Miss Sanders (Class Teacher)
Miss McNamara (Classroom Assistants)



Our Autumn term topic is 'Fire, Fire- London's Burning!' in which we will focus on The Great Fire of London. This main focus for the topic will be History; focusing on key events of 1666 and the impact of what happened.

Within the topic, we will also look at some geographical elements such as place and locational knowledge (eg: where London is located on a UK map). There will also be a PSHE focus within the topic in which we will talk about fire safety.

Mathematics:

The main focus in Maths will be on number. Children will look at the number system and place value. Children will focus on place value to 20 before moving onto addition and subtraction within 10. Children will finish the term by studying shape. Children will also focus on 'Mastering Number' to embed basic skills.



English:

In English, children will practise their spoken language skills through participating in discussions and asking questions. Children will focus on composing sentences orally before writing before working on recounts (diary entries). As part of their English studies, children will focus on the books 'Meesha Makes Friends' and 'Nibbles the Book Monster'. In addition, children will have RWI phonics sessions each morning and a phonics booster session each afternoon.

PSHE, RSHE & British Values:

Within Journey in Love (RSHE), children will focus on the social and emotional aspects of being raised in a family. Children will also look at feelings, classroom rules, special rules and how to be a good friend. They will also look at valuing difference, developing respect, accepting others, bullying and getting help.

Science:

In Science, children will focus on 'Everyday Materials'. Within this, they will identify and name a range of everyday materials, distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made and describe their properties.

Geography:

In Geography, children will look at mapping, enquiry and investigation. They will also develop their locational and place knowledge when locating London on a UK map.



History:

In History, children will communicate and organise ideas about The Great Fire of London. They will focus on chronology, events, people and changes as well as historical enquiry.

Music:

In Music, children will look at Old School Hip Hop for their first topic before practising for their Christmas nativity play in the second half term. Children will also sing songs linked to other topics such as Maths and English to help them develop their basic skills.



Physical Education:

In PE, children will develop their Fundamental Movement Skills before moving on to Invasion Games. They will continue to develop key Maths skills through Active Maths in PE.