



St. John's Primary School

# Curriculum Newsletter

**Primary  
6/7**

**TERM 1: AUG - NOV 2024**

Please read this edition of our newsletter detailing some of the main points of learning in the coming weeks.

## LITERACY AND ENGLISH

- In Talk for Writing, we are focussing on Imaginative/Functional Writing – Warning Stories/ Newspaper Reports
- In Handwriting, we are revising formation of lower and upper-case letters, proportion and joins.
- We are continuing to use Active Spelling Strategies to revise/learn new spelling patterns.
- Extending our knowledge of Grammar through T4W Short Burst activities.
- We are developing our Higher Order Reading skills and comprehension through our Class Novels:
  - Dragonfire
  - The Wings of Ruksh ( both by Anne Forbes)
- Library/Reading for Enjoyment:
- Developing listening/talking/presentation skills through class discussions and presentations/talks.

### Helpful hints to support learning at home

- Read and discuss books.
- Practise spelling words in a fun way e.g. rainbow writing/pyramid writing
- Encourage your child to write at home and read what they write.
- Also, practise handwriting together.
- Encourage your child in conversations to listen and respond appropriately.

## NUMERACY AND MATHEMATICS

### Number

- Place Value – Whole numbers
- Rounding and Estimating
- Addition - Mental and written methods

### Shape, Position, Movement

- Properties of 2D Shapes and 3D objects

### Helpful hints to support learning at home

- Continue to help practise times tables and number bonds mentally in a variety of ways at home.
  - Identify and discuss large numbers in the environment.
- Discuss 2D Shapes and 3D objects at home and in the environment.

## Religious and Moral Education

### The Bible/Weekly Gospels

#### Creation and Science

#### Prayer and Decision Making

#### Kingdom of God

#### Mary – Month of October

#### Jesus and Justice

### Helpful hints to support learning at home

- Discuss with your child stories from the Bible/New Testament
- Encourage your children to take part in Parish Mass/services
- Support and work with your child if they are participating in Pope Francis Faith Award.

## INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING

### IDL TOPIC:

People, Past Events and Societies: The Swinging Sixties

### HWB Themes:

Growth Mindset/ Healthy/Safe/Respected

### Spanish:

Consolidation/ extension of previous vocabulary- Greetings/Numbers/Colours

### Art and Design:

Optical Art/ Pop Art (1960s)

### Science:

Space

### Technologies:

Digital Literacy/Computer Science

### Helpful hints to support learning at home

Discuss with your child what they are learning in their topics.

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL IF **YOU CAN**  
HELP WITH ANY ASPECT OF LEARNING –  
RESOURCES, SPEAKERS, IDEAS.  
**ALL WELCOME!**