



St. John's Primary School

# Curriculum Newsletter

Primary  
5/6/7

TERM 2: NOV '25 - MAR '26

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

## LITERACY AND ENGLISH

- In Creative Writing we shall focus on Imaginative Writing – Suspense Stories and Functional Writing – Persuasive Writing, using Talk for Writing.
- In Handwriting, we are continuing to develop skills in joined writing and presentation of work.
- We are continuing to use Active Spelling Strategies to revise/learn new spelling patterns.
- Extending our knowledge of Grammar through Talk for Writing activities.
- We are developing our Higher Order Reading skills and comprehension through our Class Novels/Non-Fiction Reading/ Library/Reading for Enjoyment:
- Developing listening/talking/presentation skills through class discussions and collaborative work linked to Enquiry-based Learning and IDL Topic

### Helpful hints to support learning at home

- Read and discuss books. Encourage a love of reading for enjoyment.
- 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

- Money
- Multiplication/Division – mental and written strategies

### Time

### Measure

- Length
- Area
- Weight
- Volume/Capacity

### Data and Analysis

### Helpful hints to support learning at home

- Continue to help practise times tables and number bonds mentally in a variety of ways at home.
- Discuss money/saving/ budgeting at home.
- Involve your child in measuring activities at home.
- Discuss the use of various charts, graphs, tables in the environment.
- Discuss Time and various timetables

## Religious and Moral Education

### Weekly Gospel Stories

### Pope Francis Faith Award

### Advent/Christmas

### Confirmation (P7)

### Lent

### Helpful hints to support learning at home

- Encourage your children to take part in Parish Mass/services
- Support your child with their preparation for Confirmation.
- Support your child in their work on Pope Francis Faith Award.

## INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING

### IDL/ Inquiry Based Learning:

School Fashion Show – “Conscious Couture”

### HWB Themes:

Respected/Nurtured/Active/Achieving/Responsible

### Art and Design:

Christmas Art/ Artist studies/ Fashion Design

### Science:

Forces - Magnetic, Electrostatic, Gravitational

### 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!