



English Martyrs Catholic Primary School
"Where everyone is special"

Welcome to Year 2
Autumn Term 2 2021
What is happening this
half term?

Year 2 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

The information below includes all the details of our curriculum for the second half of the Autumn Term. In Year 2 pupils take part in literacy and maths each day, along with daily spelling or phonics practise.

This year we are introducing new group reading sessions three times a week for every child in class.

We aim to provide an exciting curriculum with lots of opportunities for pupils to write for different purposes and take part in creative activities.

English

Literacy—we will be carrying out writing, grammar and punctuation 'Where the Wild Things Are.'

Reading—Pupils are grouped for reading activities and will work on their reading fluency and understanding of texts. Our class reader is 'The Legend of Spud Murphy'

Handwriting—we will be practising a joined script.

Maths

We follow the Power Maths Scheme and this half term we will be covering:

Money—recognising coins and notes, making different amounts and solving word problems about money including giving change.

Multiplication and division—making arrays, solving word problems, learning 2, 5 and 10 times table.

RE

As part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham we follow the curriculum 'Learning and Growing as the People of God'. This half term we will cover some Jesus, the disciples and miracles and also work on Advent and the Christmas Story.

Science

Pupils will take part in investigations and practical work during science lessons. The topic for this term is 'Scientists and Inventors'.

We will learn about The Eden Project and investigate if plants grow better in a greenhouse. We will investigate different materials to see which are waterproof.

Theme	In Theme we will be learning about Great and Ghastly events. We will look at the events in the Gunpowder Plot and also the Great Fire of London.	Design & Technology And Art	In DT we will be designing and making a Christmas decoration and developing our sewing skills. In art we will be doing some Christmas artwork, looking at the characters in the Christmas story.
Computing	In Computing this half term we will be working on Scratch. Pupils will be creating their own animations on screen.	Music	This half term in Music we will be performing songs ready for our Nativity. We will also be listening to and performing music and listening for pulse and rhythm,
Relationships and Health Education	We will be following the ten: ten Live Life to the Full programme. Our topic is 'Created and loved by God' and focuses on Me and My Feelings.	PE	Dance- Based on a theme of the Gunpowder Plot Gymnastics—exploring landscapes and cityscapes.

Home learning

Reading—Pupils will bring home a reading book and a reading diary. Books will be changed on a Monday and a Friday. Please write the diary when you have completed a reading session with your child. Prizes and certificates will be awarded each term based on the number of reading sessions your child has taken part in. Your child can also access their Bug Club account from home and do some reading and quizzes online.

Home learning— Home work will be set each week on Microsoft Teams. You can access Teams through your child's Welearn password.

<p>Thursday 9th December—Year 2 will attend Mass</p> <p>Monday 13th December—Trip to see Beauty and the Beast Pantomime</p> <p>14th and 15th December—KSI and reception Nativity</p>	<p>Don't forget to check the website for our 'Recommended Reading Lists' and our 'Further reading lists'.</p> <p>If you have any questions or concerns, please email the class teachers.</p> <p>Mrs Rouledge rouledge.l@welearn365.com</p> <p>Mrs Golby golby.l@welearn365.com</p>
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