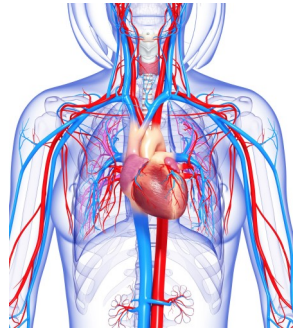
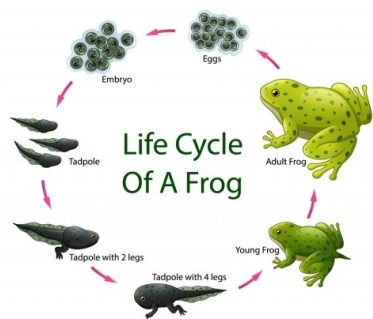


In Science, we will focus on living things and their habitats. We will develop knowledge and understanding of the reproduction cycles of some plants and a variety of different animals including: mammals; amphibians; insects and birds.

We will also discover animals including humans by identifying the main parts of the human circulatory system and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. Additionally, we will recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and life style on the way their bodies function and describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.



P.E. will take place on a Monday afternoon for Year 5 and 6. Children will also have Sc.Out.Ed session, with Mr Baker, on a Friday morning. Children are to come into school on Mondays, wearing their school PE kit, including a white t-shirt and black shorts/ joggers. As the weather grows colder, please ensure that children also have a school jumper/ cardigan over their t-shirt incase the session is outdoors. On a Friday, please can children come into school wearing suitable clothing for Sc.Out.Ed (including footwear) and bring their uniform and school shoes to change into after their session. Our topics this term are indoor athletics and outdoor activities.



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Class 4

Newsletter

Autumn Term 2023-2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope that you have all had an enjoyable summer break and spent time recharging ready for the new school year ahead. We are happy to have welcomed our children back, to what will hopefully be an exciting year, filled with lots of opportunities. Children have returned to school looking very smart in their uniform, setting a great example and are settling into their new routines very well.



This term, we have some exciting learning experiences to look forward to based on the topics we will be covering.

We are excited to invite families in to school to join us for Liturgical Prayer, Class Assemblies and Masses over the coming months. More information will be shared over the coming weeks via newsletters.

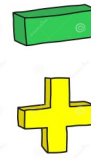
Our class novels for the term, are *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell and *Private Peaceful* by Michael Morpurgo. The novels link in well with our History, Geography and PSHE work. Our reading and writing activities will link to the books and will include a narrative, a set of instructions, poetry and a non-chronological report.



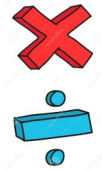
In History, we will be focusing on conflict through time, understanding how many conflicts have taken place throughout time and secure understanding of where these different historical periods can be placed in relation to one another. Exploring the advances in weaponry and tactical warfare that have taken place from the prehistoric era through to the modern era.

In Geography, we will be learning about biomes, we will understand what the word 'Biome' means and why different areas on earth have different climates and conditions. Moving on through the topic, we will understand what the words longitude and latitude mean and will be able to describe the climates in different areas using geographical vocabulary and finally learning how we can use the rainforest sustainably.

In Maths, we will be looking at Place Value, before moving on to the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will look at formal written methods, inverse operations, factors and prime numbers. We will be further developing our reasoning and problem solving skills. We will look at statistics and fractions. Finally, we will be looking at measure.



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In RE our topics are Loving, Vocation and Commitment and Expectations. We will also spend a week studying Judaism.

Through our liturgical prayer and collective worship, we continue to journey together, listening to the promptings of the Holy Spirit in our lives and in the lives of the people we meet.

As we pray for the current synod, we remember that the move to being a synodal Church doesn't end in 2024, the invitation is for lasting synodality in our communities. From Sunday 3rd December, we will begin the season of Advent as we prepare for the birth of Jesus.



The RE Parent Letter will also share some important dates coming up this term.



Homework— Children will bring home their reading books to read each Friday. They will also have daily/ weekly tasks to complete on Spelling Shed, TimesTables Rockstars and Reading Plus. Children will bring their Maths homework home on a Thursday to be returned on a Tuesday.

Please don't hesitate to speak to me at the start or end of the school day if you have any queries or concerns. With so many exciting things going on, don't forget to keep checking our school website and school Facebook page to find out more.

Many thanks, Mr. Fannan