

Year Three
Class Information
2024-2025
Advent Term Two



St Joseph's Catholic Primary
School and Nursery

Welcome

We have had a busy start to Year Three and have lots more exciting things planned over the course of the year. You have all made a brilliant start to the year, looking extremely smart in your uniforms. Together with Mrs Tsang and Mrs Gill, I know that we can reassure and support you with your progress in your journey in Year Three so you may continue to grow in love, in the spirit of Christ for the benefit of all and enjoying the St Joseph's way of life.

Topics this half-term

In our second half-term, we have lots of exciting learning taking place, starting with our amazing 'Tribal Tales' topic, where we will be looking at the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. Here is an overview of our other topics. We will also be learning our traditional prayers; 'Hail Mary', 'Our Father' and the 'Glory Be'.

English	Maths	RE	Science	
Discussion text - ordinal determiners	Addition including: - ones and tens to a 3-digit number - two 3-digit numbers Subtraction including: - ones and tens from a 3-digit number - two 3-digit numbers	Promises - 'Why make promises?' Multi-faith week - Judaism Visitors - 'Are visitors always welcome?'	Forces and Magnets - exploring forces - friction - experiments linked - magnets - magnetic and non-magnetic materials - north and south poles - attract and repel	
History		Art	French	PE
Tribal Tales with a focus on; a timeline of key periods of history, how people lived and survived in the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age, the tools and weapons used, and famous monuments.		Prehistoric painting - children will recreate cave art just like they did in the Stone Age	Classroom objects, colours, how to say your age and ask someone theirs	Netball

Topic Launch

For our topic launch, we will visit Creswell Crags on Friday 8th November. At Creswell Crags, we will enter one of the caves and consider how the Stone Age people survived. We will build shelters suitable for the hunter gatherers and look at how they communicated by recreating some cave art. This trip is bookable via Arbor.

Marvellous Me

Regular updates will be sent via Marvellous Me. This includes details of activities and lessons over the week, reward badges, reminders and documents such as homework.

Upcoming Trips

The pantomime this year is on Friday 29th November. This is bookable via Arbor. We also look forward to the Jingle Jog on Thursday 5th December. This will be held at Sherwood Pines and is a jog to get children into the Christmas spirit. A keepsake engraved Santa medal can be purchased on Arbor for just £2.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday (to allow time for marking, feedback and setting the following week's homework.) Children should hand in their reading records on a Friday for monitoring. Please where possible, make any comments/sign to say children have read at least once a week. Children should be reading for pleasure. Therefore, this does not have to be the book given to them from school.

Spelling Test

Spelling lessons are completed as part of our weekly literacy activities and therefore the spelling practise sheet will be issued after Monday's lesson. Spellings should be practised at home in preparation for a test on a Friday.

PE kits

It is our final Forest School session on Friday 18th October. After half term, children should have their PE kit in school Monday to Friday however, PE will likely be on a Tuesday. This should consist of a white pe top with dark shorts/jogging bottoms. We will be doing PE outdoors so please send children with a jumper/hoodie. Please ensure there is no jewellery worn on PE days and if earrings need to be taped, plasters/tape should be supplied from home.

WOW Active and Physical Activity

We are trying to promote physical activity to improve physical fitness. We have introduced WOW Active to support with this and all children should have received their challenge card. We are encouraging children to let us know when they have done physical activity and making a record of this.

I look forward to what the following academic year holds. If you ever have any questions, please come and talk to us at the start or end of the day.

Many thanks,

Miss McLeod 😊