

Year One
Class Information
2026-2027
Advent Term One



St Joseph's Catholic Primary
School and Nursery

Welcome

Welcome to Year One!

You have all made a brilliant start to the year, looking very smart in your uniforms. I hope you are all looking forward to the year ahead and all of the exciting experiences that we have planned.

Together with Miss Croucher, I know that we can reassure you and support you with your progress in Year One so that you may continue to grow in love, in the Spirit of Christ for the benefit of all, enjoying the St Joseph's way of life.

Topics this half-term

In our first half-term, we have lots of exciting learning taking place, starting with our 'How Green is Our School?' topic where we will look at the geography of our local area including; the human and physical features, using maps to locate and follow directions and pollution, the impact of it and how we can help. Below is an overview of our other topics.

English	Maths	RE	Science
Handwriting - Using capital letters for names, places and days of the week Poetry - Oh Dear! by Michael Rosen - Using repeating patterns and lines as models - Perform poems aloud	Place value within 10 - sorting, counting and representing objects - recognising numbers as words - finding 1 more and 1 less - comparing and ordering objects and numbers - less than, greater than and equal to	Creation & Covenant - the story of Creation - creation is a gift from God - the Creed and the Our Father - God gave us the world to take care of - Pope Francis' - Laudato Si' - caring for God's creation	The Human Body - Identify and name parts of the human body - Label parts of the human body - The 5 senses - sight, sound, taste, touch, smell
Geography	Art	Computing	PE
How Green is Our School? - local area on a map - human and physical features - using maps - pollution and the impact	Painting - Primary colours - Secondary colours - Colour mixing with paint - Choose different types of brushes	Online safety - personal information should not be shared online - what to do if they find something inappropriate online	Attach, defend, shoot - basic movements including running, jumping, etc - being to engage in competitive activities - improve ABCs

Arbor

Regular updates will be sent via Arbor. This includes details of activities and lessons over the week, any rewards, reminders and documents such as this newsletter and homework.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday to allow time for marking and feedback. Please be reminded that as well as this homework, children should either be reading or being read to every night!

Spelling Test

Spellings will be sent home with the homework on a Friday and will have a different focus each week. Children will have the opportunity to practice these at home and at school before the test on Friday.

PE

Children should come to school in their PE kit on their PE day. PE will predominantly be on a Thursday and Friday but please look for updates on Arbor as this may change.

PE kit should consist of a white t-shirt and blue or black bottoms (shorts/leggings/tracksuit bottoms). We will try to get outdoors to do PE as much as possible so please ensure during the winter months, clothing is suitable for the outdoors. Jewellery should be removed for all PE lessons. *If it can't, tape/plasters should be provided from home.*

Forest Schools will be after half term in Advent 2. There will be no PE lesson on the weeks when Forest Schools take place. More information to follow.

We look forward to seeing what the following academic year holds and know that we are going to achieve some wonderful things!

If you ever have any questions, please feel free to catch me in a morning or evening. Alternatively, please request an appointment at the office.

Many thanks,

Miss McLeod and Miss Croucher 😊