



St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School

Year 1 Newsletter – Spring 1

Homework

Homework will continue to be given out on Fridays, please help your child to complete and bring it back on Monday. **To help your child further with their English work, I will also be sending some extra reading tasks for you to read and enjoy together.**

Thank you!

Diary dates

3rd Feb

-Road Safety Day

10th Feb

-Road Safety Morning

w/c 14 Feb

-Mini Vinnie Little Pick

18th Feb

-School closes for half term

Dear Parents/Carers,
Happy New Year!

Welcome back after our Christmas break, we hope you had a good break and are looking forward to the term ahead. While things remain a little different in school, Year 1 have been working very hard and we are pleased with the progress they have made so far. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Miss Lloyd, Miss Bhatti, Mrs Mikinnik

RE: Families and celebrations. Learning about how we love and care for each other and knowing that we belong to our own family and the family of God.

English: Writing - Hermelin (*as told by Mini Grey*) - Detective story

Maths: Addition and Subtraction within 20, and place Value within 50

PSHE: Dreams and Goals, knowing we are all unique and special, recognising we are all good at different things and learning to set ourselves achievable goals.

PE: look, run, avoid Movement skills – on **Tuesdays**

Science: Seasonal Changes. Learning about the different seasons.

History: Castles. Learning about who built the first castle, castles built by the Normans, medieval castles and how the use of the Tower of London has changed overtime.

Art: Buildings can speak. Learn to identify, shapes, patterns, and features of buildings and design a mural to represent a particular building.

Computing: getting familiar with google classroom, reading eggs, spelling shed

Reading

We have been enjoying reading our new Read, Write Inc. books and have sent these books home. As part of the scheme, children are organised into phonics groups and all children have made good progress and are now moving into a different group, their Read Write Inc. teacher will be responsible for changing the books with different groups changing their books at different times. The books that they bring home will have been read in school and so they should be fairly confident at reading the words. Please spend time listening to your child reading their book everyday if possible to develop fluency, expression and enjoyment. **Children must bring their book bag every day to school.**

PE

PE days will continue to be **Tuesday**. Please come to school in your correct PE kit on this day. This should also include a sweatshirt/jumper especially as the weather gets colder. We are still having to keep the windows in classroom open to aid ventilation so please ensure your child has added layers under their school uniform on normal uniform days also.

Google Classroom

We will be using our computer sessions in school to familiarise the children with Google classroom as in this ever-changing time the use of technology is essential. In the near future, I will be assigning some tasks for children to do at home and I ask for your parental partnership with school and ask you to be accessing this with your child and uploading work. It's a great way to send messages to. If you are having problems with accessing Google classroom please phone the school Office for advice as soon as possible as will be monitoring usage.

School Golden Rules

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2. **Listen**
3. **Try your best**
4. **Be Positive**



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Be the light to those around you!

Dear Parents,

4th Jan – 18th Feb 2022

We begin this term full of the joy of the Christmas season which ends for us at the celebration of the Baptism of Jesus on 9th January. On the 2nd February we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas) when Jesus is recognised as ‘The Light of the World’. We must also remember that each one of us is called to be a ‘light’, an inspiration to those around us.



In this issue of the newsletter you will find what your child is learning about in each year group. We hope you find this newsletter of interest and as always, please keep us in your prayers as we continue to support your children in their religious education.

Dates from the Church’s calendar:

6 th January	The Epiphany of the Lord	28 th January	St. Thomas Aquinas	
9 th January	The Baptism of the Lord	31 st January	St. John Bosco	
12 th January	St. Aelred of Rievaulx	2 nd February	Presentation of the Lord	
17 th January	St. Anthony (desert Father)	3 rd February	St. Blaise	
24 th January	St Francis de Sales	8 th February	St Josephine Bakhita	25 th January
	Conversion of St. Paul	11 th February	Our Lady of Lourdes	
26 th January	Ss Timothy and Titus			

During the winter of Ordinary Time, i.e. up to Lent, we are asked to pray for these intentions: **Peace on Earth; Christian Unity; The Sick and Those Who Care for Them; Victims of Trafficking and Those who Work to Combat it; The Unemployed.**

Year 1 – Families and Celebrations

*“The Christian family ... can and should be called a domestic church.
It is a community of faith, hope and charity”*

Catechism of the Catholic Church

The children will learn about what it means to be a member of a family and to be a member of the school community. They will learn what it means to belong to the Church family.



They will hear how Jesus’ family took him to the Temple and think about why this was a special occasion. They will learn about some of the celebrations in the Church and why we celebrate these occasions.

At home

You could help your children by:

- discussing the importance of celebrations in our lives
- talking to your child about their baptism

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