

ST CHARLES CURRICULUM INFORMATION - YEAR 1 AUTUMN 1 2017

Theme:- Penguins, Possums and Pigs. Within this theme we will cover the following areas.

Literacy

We will be exploring stories by the author Oliver Jeffers. Reading, re-telling and writing similar stories. We will be reciting and creating poems based on animals and creating information posters linked to the topic. We will also focus heavily on phonics, reading and forming letters correctly, moving on to writing a basic sentence.

Religious Education

Our topic is 'Domestic Church - The Family'. We will explore the idea of a family, what it means to different people and the idea of God as a loving parent and Jesus as part of the human family. We will learn how God loves us all equally as His Children and that we are all different and amazing.

Homework

Children in Year 1 are asked to read their book at home every day, and bring it in and change it once they have read it 3 times. Children will also be bringing spellings home each week linked to their work in phonics. These are to be practised throughout the week and the children will be tested on Fridays.

Children will have a homework book which will be brought home on a Friday, the homework will be stuck in the book and should be completed and returned by the following Wednesday.

Maths

As you may have read in a newsletter last term, we are following the Singapore approach to the maths curriculum. The focus for this half term is place value so we will be doing lots of counting, writing and ordering of numbers to 10 as well as looking at number bonds to 10. We will be using lots of practical equipment to aid our learning.

Diary Dates:

Friday Sept 8th - 2.15 pm Mass in Church
Wednesday Sept 13th - Roald Dahl Day
Tuesday Sept 19th - 6.30pm PTFA meeting in school
Wednesday Oct 4th - Parents' Evening
Friday October 6th - 8.30am onwards, Individual photos
Friday 20th October - School closes at 3:30p.m.

School reopens on Monday 6th November at 8:55am

Geography

The focus will be to help children think geographically and equip them with knowledge of the hot and cold places of the world and how these are different from the UK. We will identify continents and oceans and weather patterns using a range of different maps.

Science

Following the theme of penguins, possums and pigs, we will be identifying and naming a variety of animals and establishing whether they are carnivore, herbivore or omnivore. We will be grouping animals and recognising similarities and differences between them and recognising that animals need to be treated with care and sensitivity to keep them alive and healthy. If you have any pets at home, please send in a photo!

P.E.

PE lessons are indoor on a Tuesday and outdoor on a Friday. Please make sure your child has a PE kit in school on these days which is clearly labelled. Children should not wear earrings on these days. The focus this half term will be gymnastics, throwing and catching a ball and listening/following instructions.

Art

We will develop our drawing skills linked to our theme by making observational drawings of penguins. We will also develop our 3D work by using clay to form different shapes with various techniques and tools.