



St Teresa's
Catholic Primary School

Year Two

AUTUMN NEWS

“DO THE LITTLE THINGS WELL”

Dear Parents/ Carers/ Children,

Welcome to Year Two!

We are so pleased to welcome the children into Year Two. We hope they feel refreshed and ready to take on the challenges of Year 2. We have lots of exciting lessons planned and we are looking forward to a great year!



Our RE topics this term are Creation and Covenant, we will explore the stories of Creation and Noah and learn how Christians are called to be stewards of Creation. After half term we will explore the topic Prophecy and Promise, learning about the messages of the prophets, Mary and finally how Christians prepare for Christmas during Advent.

CURRICULUM:

We start the year off with our Seaside topic. In literacy, our first book is 'Katie Morag Delivers the Mail' and our second book is 'The Secret of Black Rock'. The children will be writing descriptions of the setting and the characters. They will make predictions, retell parts of the story and have the opportunity to redraft their work. In Geography, we will be finding out about the physical and human features of the seaside, tourism and the RNLI.

In the second half term the children will be using their locational knowledge to name and locate the seven continents and 5 oceans of the world. In Literacy, we will be reading Meerkat Mail and discovering what it would be like to live in the hot dusty desert.



Our first Science topic is Animals Needs for Survival, we will learn that animals need air, water, food and shelter to survive. Our second Science topic is Materials, children will identify, group and sort materials; they will identify objects that are made from natural, human made and recyclable materials. They will think sustainably about different materials.

LIFE TO THE FULL

Life to the Full is a programme in RSHE for Catholic primary schools in the UK. This term the children will complete 2 units from the Created and Loved by God Module. They will explore their emotional well-being in the first half term and look at Life Cycles in the second.

HOMEWORK

We continue to focus on reading in Year 2 and ask that every child reads their school reading book at home at least five times a week. Those who achieve this will receive a sticker in their organiser. This consistency in reading will have a huge impact on your child's ability to understand text and read with fluency.

Each week, children will also be given a school library book to read for pleasure, along with their assigned Little Wandle guided reading book.

We will have a weekly spelling test every **Friday** and spellings are in the yellow organiser. Please help your child to learn their spellings at home.

Homework will be given out on a **Friday** and must be returned by the following **Thursday** so it can be marked.

P.E:

Our main **P.E. session is on a Monday**. Your child should come to school in their P.E. kit. They need to wear black jogging bottoms/leggings, a white t-shirt and trainers. They can wear their school jumper/cardigan over this for warmth.

UNIFORM:

The children have come back to school looking really smart and we would like this to continue through the year. Please ensure your child only wears brown or black hair bands/clips/bobbles in their hair. Remember no fashion hair styles and no earrings. Please label all pieces of clothing so that items don't get lost.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Hear your child read their school book at least five times a week
- Support them to learn the weekly spellings and complete their homework.
- Help them to learn their times tables – this term we are learning our 10s!

We are looking forward to a fantastic year and to meeting you all on Parents Evening.

Year Two Team

Miss Gee Mrs Sagoo Mr McKibbin Miss Hazard Mrs Ali