



# St John Vianney Catholic Primary School – Year 1 – Autumn 1st



“Seeking Growth Together Through Jesus”

## English

In Year 1, the key writing skills we are developing are:

- *Capital letters at the beginning of sentences and for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun 'I'*
- *Full stops*
- *Finger spaces in between words.*
- *Writing on the line.*
- *Using our 'Fred Fingers' to help us write words*

This half term will be continuing our daily Read Write Inc (RWI) phonics lessons where we will learn to read and write new sounds and new words.

Alongside this we will have daily handwriting sessions to practice our letter formation and size.

We will also be continuing to practice 'holding' and 'building' sentences, remembering to use our Year 1 writing objectives.

In addition to this we will also be developing our Oracy skills across the curriculum. We will be introducing the concept of **summarising** peoples ideas, stories and our learning.

## Maths

This half term we will be consolidating our understanding of Number and Calculations. The children will use lots of manipulatives to support learning, allowing the children to construct physical models to support abstract mathematical ideas.

We will begin by exploring Number and Place Value (within 10). This will involve lots of practical work and problem solving. We will be sorting, counting forwards and backwards to 10, comparing, ordering numbers as well as introducing the symbols  $<$ ,  $>$  and  $=$ . This will lead us on to addition and subtraction (within 10). We will be looking at the Part-Whole Model, number bonds, fact families and finding the difference between two numbers. We will be using the + and - symbols and comparing addition and subtraction statements.

After each new concept, we will record our knowing in our class Maths Journal. The purpose of the journal is to record methods, explanations, and ideas for solving maths problems and learning of mathematical concepts.

## Science

Our topic this half term is everyday materials.

This half term in Science we will be exploring materials. We will be learning to distinguish between an object and the material it is made from and identifying/comparing a variety of everyday materials including:

- Wood
- Plastic
- Metal
- Glass
- Rocks

We will describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. We will use this knowledge to compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties and suggest why certain objects are made out of certain materials.

To gain more knowledge about the topic, we will read the traditional tales of *The Three Little Pigs* and *The Princess and the Pea* to supplement this topic of Materials.

## Religious Education

In Year 1, our curriculum driver words are:

- *Retell*
- *Begin to describe/describe*
- *Begin to ask/ask*

In RE our topic is families. We will learn about relationships in the family, at school, in the Parish, our neighbourhood and the world.

We will also learn about the roles in the communities to which we belong-Children, parents, parishioners, priest, Bishop and the Pope.

Our focus this half term is learning the following prayers and Mass responses:

- *Hail Mary...*
- *Our Father...*
- **Bidding Prayers;** Lord Hear Us; Lord Graciously Hear Us & Lord in Your Mercy, **Hear Our Prayer**
- *And with Your Spirit*

We will have an awareness of Gospel Responses

We will celebrate the gospel 'Let the Little Children Come to Me' during RHE and during our year group Liturgy with Fr. Loughlin. We will join in with Rosary Day, Creation Week and Harvest this half term too.





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To start our Year 1 History, we will be focussing on the local history of Blackpool. We will complete a focus study on Blackpool Pleasure beach and how it has changed over time.

Our history topics are:

- World War 1
- Neil Armstrong
- The Moon landing

We will be using the stories *Rocket Mole* by Matt Carr and *The Darkest* by Chris Hadfield to support our learning.

## Art

In Art we will be making personalised sketchbooks using scrap paper and cardboard. We will be using these throughout the year.

We will also be drawing spirals using a range of materials. This will lead onto drawing spiral snails.

## Music

In music we are continuing to look at Old Style Hip-Hop through the song Hey You! Alongside this also have a weekly lesson from The Blackpool Music Service.

As part of our learning to celebrate ‘Black History Month’ we will be learning and performing a rap based on the book ‘Look Up!’ by Nathan Bryon. We will use this as inspiration to compose our own rap.

## Physical Education

We will be working on the Fundamental Movement Skills of throwing (underarm and overarm) using a variety of equipment. We will also be practicing skipping, running and hopping.

The value we will be focusing on is Determination  
We will Link our work in PE to the story ‘Supertato.’

## ICT and Computing

In ICT, we will be learning to control the mouse, open a programme, open their own work from a file, use the arrow keys to move the cursor and delete letters. We will also be learning how to stay safe when using the internet and name parts of the computer and different types of technology in the classroom.

A prime focus this half term which will run throughout the year will be the importance of internet safety and the children knowing how and why to stay safe online.

## French

In French this half term, the children will be starting to learn basic French words and all about French culture. They will begin to repeat words that are spoken in French. They will begin to learn songs and rhymes and watch and meet ‘Muzzy’. This half term, the children will concentrate and learn Les Couleurs (Colours).

## Relationships & Health Education (RHE)

RHE lessons are delivered through the ‘TenTen Programme’.

Our main focus will be Relationships and picture books such as *Two Homes* by Clare Masurel and *The Rainbow Fish* by Marcus Pfister will help us learn about different families and friendships.

## Seeking Growth Together

During ‘Seeking Growth Together’ time we will focus on learning about:

- Rule of Law (*British Values*)
- Democracy (*British Values*)
- Health and Well-Being
- Gospel Values
- Mutual Respect (*British Values*)
- Global Learning

Our creative approach to teaching Seeking Growth Together will be led by our school ‘drivers’ including: *oracy, metacognition, P4C and journaling.*

