



Year 1

Curriculum Information *Spring Term 2023*

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Welcome to Year 1

PE

PE lessons for Year 1 are on **Mondays and Wednesdays** with Mr Paul and Mr Hanson. Children need to come to school **already dressed** in their P.E kit and will remain in the kit all day.

Home Learning

Children will receive homework on **Fridays**. This will consist of Maths and a Reading comprehension task/Grammar. This will be due in the following **Wednesday**. Homework will be kept in blue homework folders.

Spellings will be sent out weekly. Please ensure that your child practices their spellings every week ready for a spelling test which will take place on **Fridays**.

Children are expected to read each evening, discussing the book with an adult and to record this in their reading record books daily. Each child will be given one phonically decodable book and one sharing book each week. Please ensure these are returned to school each week and brought back daily for our guided reading sessions.

Immersion day

Immersion day (Dressing up)

As part of launching different topics we are going to ask children to dress up according to the theme of our key text. A letter with further information and ideas will be provided at least two weeks prior to the day.

- Superhero dress up day (Spring 1 – date tbc)

Upcoming Events & Trips Spring Term

Wonderdome – **13th January 2023**

Mary Seacole workshop- **3rd February 2023**

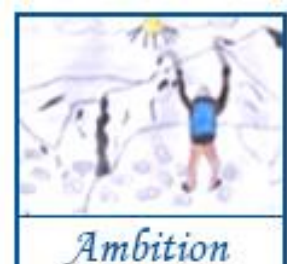
Trip to RHS Wisley – **24th March 2023**

Parent Consultations, Assessments and Reports

Parent Reading Workshop **21st January 2023**

Mid-Year Progress Reports will be sent home–
3rd March 2023

Y1 MOCK phonics screening check Week-
w/b - 20th March 2023



Our Curriculum

At St Teresa's we have adopted a **thematic and creative approach** to our curriculum which helps children to see how subjects are both 'independent' and 'interdependent' enabling them to see 'the big picture' of their learning, make connections through and across different subjects, and talk about a theme from multiple perspectives. The particular 'theme' chosen- ***Enquire (Science), Explore (Geography), and Discover (History)***, is always relevant to the children and is designed to be exciting and engaging for that particular cohort. Whilst these subjects (Science, History, Geography) are at times the main drivers, the themes are cross-curricular and other subjects are taught as part of the termly theme.

Much of this will be based on good quality texts. We will be placing much emphasis on good quality writing and the children will be writing regularly in a range of genres. Details of the units for this term can be found below.

Learning Journey

Heroes and Villain's

We will be reading and discussing the stories, '***Billy and the Beast***' and '***Send for a Superhero***'. Children will be creating wanted posters, character descriptions and writing their own Superhero story narrative. They will also be writing story summaries, recipes and creating a plan to defeat their own Monster.

Growing Together

In this unit we focus on books that center around growing and plants: '***Jack and the Beanstalk***' and '***Extraordinary Gardener***'. Children will be writing instructions, labels and letters of advice. They will be retelling stories from other character perspectives and creating their own narrative.



"Your child's journey begins here..."

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The local Church- community: During this topic, the children will learn how there are special people in our lives who are here to help and that on Sunday in church, we meet people who do special jobs as we gather to celebrate the Good News of Jesus.

Eucharist- special meals The children will learn about how the parish family gathers for the Eucharist (Mass), Jesus's special meal. We will discuss how we can find strength in gathering for the celebration of the Eucharist and of God's love in our lives.

Lent- a time for change: We will be exploring the subject of lent. Specifically, the children will explore how lent offers a time to reflect on life and change. We will also discuss how change is a necessary part of life that leads to healthy growth.

Grammar and Spelling

There is an increased focus on grammar, punctuation and spelling in the year one curriculum. Over the term, we will be looking at a range of spelling patterns. Please spend time with your children, exploring these spelling patterns. We will also have a particular focus on learning key words and grammatical terms. You can support your child's writing by focusing on full stops, capital letters and finger spaces.

Science

During the Spring term children will be taught the following topics:

- Seasonal Changes (*Winter*)
- Plants

They will use the following practical science methods, processes and skills through the teaching of the programme of study content:

- Ask simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways
- Observe closely using simple equipment
- Perform simple tests
- Identify and classify
- Use their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions
- Gather and record data to help in answering questions.



Interventions and Additional Booster Session

As a school, we recognise the importance of continually raising standards in teaching and learning and ensuring all children make expected or better than expected progress. For some children, we have found that there are gaps within their learning that need to be addressed before they can move on to have a deeper understanding of certain concepts and therefore as a result, we have put in place additional sessions to support your child in these areas whether it be in maths, English, writing or phonics.

Who Can You Talk To?

You should speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance if you have any worries or concerns about any aspect of your child's education here at St.Teresa's. You are more than welcome to make an appointment to see the class teacher or the KS1 phase leader (Miss Malone) through the office or email for a more formal correspondence you can also talk to:

Mrs Druce (Deputy Head Teacher)

danielle.druce@st-teresas.merton.sch.uk

or Miss Gregory (SENCO)

harley.gregory@st-teresas.merton.sch.uk

W razie trudności ze zrozumieniem informacji prosimy o skontaktowanie się z szkolnym sekretariatem. Dziękujemy

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