

Holy Cross Catholic Primary School CURRICULUM INFORMATION

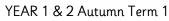
YEAR 1 & 2 Autumn Term 1



Subject	What are we learning?	How can you help at home?
English - Writing GODIOCK GO	In English this half term, we will be delving into the wonderful world of fairytales! In Year 1, we will be exploring the traditional tales of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and 'The Three Little Pigs'. We will be exploring the language and features of a fairytale and will be creating our own missing posters and retells. In Year 2, we will be looking at fairytales with a spin! We will be writing a retell from	Fairytales Perhaps share some fairytales with your child at home. Which is their favourite? Why? Who is the goodie? Who is baddie? Is there a happy ever after?
English – Reading	the perspective of the big bad wolf (or was he so bad?) In the second half of the half term, we will be writing recipes inspired by the book 'Mr Wolf's Pancakes'. Together in Reading, we will be exploring the story of 'Little Red', making predictions, exploring the characters and creating their own ending. Year 2 will also be learning new comprehension skills such as skimming and scanning.	<u>Reading</u> Please hear your child read at home, every day if possible. It really does make a huge difference. Ask questions which encourage your child to draw inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts, emotions and actions. How are they feeling? Why did they do that? What might they do next? Why?
Phonics Letter (Ronder LETTER (Ronder LETTER (Ronder SOUNDS ROUTED TM	In Phonics this half term, Year 1 will be revising Phase 3 and 4 sounds. We will be having daily phonics lessons, and targeted reading groups three times a week. Our reading book are fully decodable, and they link to our phonics scheme.	We follow the Little Wandle Synthetic Phonics Scheme at Holy Cross. You can find more information about the scheme here: <u>https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/</u> <u>Spellings</u> Spellings will be sent out after the initial settling in period. They will be sent out on a Monday and due in the following Monday. Once completed the children will receive 2 dojos! (our online classroom reward system)
SPaG	In Year 2, we will be completing SPaG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) sessions during Year 1 Phonics lessons.	Encourage your child to correctly punctuate their writing at home, can they extend their use of punctuation using exclamation marks, question marks or ellipsis? Spellings See spellings above
Maths 21	In Year 1, we will be exploring place value and addition and subtraction within 20. In this topic we will be representing numbers in different ways, using the part whole model and using language such as greater than, less than and equal to. In Year 2, we will also begin with place value, addition and subtraction but working with numbers to 100. We will look at finding ten more and ten less, working towards adding and subtracting numbers. We will count to and from 100 in different intervals and regularly practise our number bonds.	Encourage your child to count forwards and backwards to 10, and from 10. Support writing numbers to 10, focusing on forming them in the correct way. You could help your child to have a go at some practical addition and subtraction around the home. This might even include adding pasta in the kitchen! You could help your child to count to and back from 100. Can they count in 2s, 5s and 10s? Can they do it backwards? We will send home a piece of maths homework each week which will support the learning we have done in the classroom.
RE	In RE, we will be learning about Creation, and how God felt after He created the world. We will be reflecting about what is special in the world to us, and how we can thank God for this.	Encourage your child to think about what they think is special in the world and why. What is amazing about our world? Is it a particular place or animal they like?



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Geography	In Geography, we will be exploring the school and its grounds. We will also be looking at physical and human features, and putting this information together into a map. We will look at where we are located on the Isle of Wight.	Discuss with your Year 1 child what town we live in and where that is on the Isle of Wight. Perhaps look at maps together and talk about why they are useful, including the use of sat navs.	
Science	In Science, we will be exploring our wonderful bodies! Children will have the opportunity to explore their senses and name their key body parts.	Discuss with your child about what parts of their bodies they use for different things. How do they see? What do they smell with? What do we need to survive? How can we keep healthy?	
DT	In DT we will focus on cookery and the skills and equipment needed to design and make gingerbread houses. This will link with our Fairytale theme in English.	You could do some baking with your child. We would love to see photos of anything you have made together. Encourage your child to weigh, measure, mix and tell you what equipment they think they might need.	
Forest School	Year 2 will be undertaking Forest School sessions led by Mrs Downey. On a Tuesday afternoon, we will have the opportunity to develop our team work skills, explore the outdoor environment and promote self-esteem and creativity.	Please can Year 2 bring in suitable clothes for Forest School sessions. These will include: wellies, waterproofs, long sleeved tops and trousers and hats, gloves, scarves if the weather turns cold!	
PE	In Year 1, we will be focusing on running and jumping skills. In Year 2, we will be learning all about dodging and building on our running skills. Our PE days are THURSDAY and FRIDAY	Children should come into school wearing PE kits. We will be doing PE outside often, so please ensure your child is dressed accordingly. Please also make sure your child has the correct PE kit. Information on required PE kit can be found on our website: http://www.holycrossrcpri.iow.sch.uk/web/school_uniform/591997	
PSHE	Our topic in PSHE this half term is 'Created and Loved by God'. We will develop our understanding of the importance of valuing ourselves as the basis for personal relationships.	Encourage your child to talk about what is special about them and being kind to others.	
Music	In Music this half term, we will be exploring lessons on timbre and rhythmic patterns, using our voices to represent different characters in fairytales.	Please encourage your child to listen to a variety of songs, listening for pulse, rhythm and pitch.	
Computing	In computing we will be exploring technology around us, whether this be at school, at home or out and about.	What technology can you spot around the home? How do we use it? Does the technology ever store information?	
Homework	 Daily reading – recording it in the reading record (15mins). Children need their reading book and reading record in school every day. Year 1 – Practise the sounds your child is learning - You can use the parent page on Little Wandle to support you. (10mins) Weekly maths and spelling activity. Homework is set on a Monday and due on a Friday. Each piece of homework handed in will be rewarded with 2 dojos! 		
	In Year 1 and 2 children can earn dojos for excellent work, behaviour or kindness towards others. Once your child earns 30 dojos they can choose a prize from the prize box!		