



# Holy Cross Catholic Primary School

## CURRICULUM INFORMATION

Year 1&2 Summer Term 1



Subject	What are we learning?	How can you help at home?
<b>English – Writing</b> 	<p>In Year 1, we are going to be reading Emily Gravett's 'Tidy'. Through this text we will be exploring the different characters and then writing a letter of apology. We will then be reading 'The Big Book of Blooms'. Through this book we will be looking at the features of a non-fiction book and at the end we will be writing a fact file about a plant.</p> <p>Together in Reading in Year 2, we will be exploring John Light's 'The Flower'. Through this book, we will be making predictions, inferences and answering questions about the book.</p>	<p>Emily Gravett has written a host of brilliant books, perhaps share these with your child.</p> <p>Perhaps also share some non-fiction books with your child, what are their features? What makes them different to fiction books?</p> <p>Please continue to hear your child read at home, 5 times a week if possible. Ask questions which encourage your child to draw inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts, emotions and actions.</p>
<b>Phonics</b> 	<p>In Phonics this half term, Year 1 will be learning Phase 5 sounds. We will be having daily phonics lessons, and targeted reading groups three times a week. Our reading books are fully decodable, and they link to our phonics scheme.</p>	<p>We follow the Little Wandle Synthetic Phonics Scheme at Holy Cross. You can find more information about the scheme here: <a href="https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/">https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/</a></p>
<b>SPaG</b> 	<p>In Year 2, the children will be completing SPaG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) sessions during Year 1 Phonics lessons. The children will also be learning new comprehension skills such as skimming and scanning.</p>	<p>Encourage your child to correctly punctuate their writing at home, can they extend their use of punctuation using exclamation marks, question marks or ellipsis?</p> <p>Spellings are taught through Spelling Shed every Friday.</p>
<b>Maths</b> 	<p>In Year 1, we will be looking at addition and subtraction in relation to mass. We will of course be looking at this in lots of fun, practical ways! Our second topic will be multiplication and division, then geometry and finally onto number and place value.</p> <p>In Year 2, we will be focusing on positional and directional geometry, making links with fractions. We will revisit measures and re-cap briefly on length and mass, as well as looking at measuring capacity and temperature. There is also an opportunity to practise increasing mental fluency to a range of addition and subtraction problems.</p>	<p>Encourage your child to count forwards and backwards and making the number 10 in different ways.</p> <p>Why not get practical with mass around the house, weighing different items and ingredients? You could also look at temperature and capacity practically.</p>
<b>RE</b> 	<p>During our topic of Holy Week, we will be exploring the importance of The Last Supper and introducing the Stations of the Cross as a prayer.</p> <p>In our topic of Easter, we will be looking at the impact that the Resurrection had on the lives of the ordinary people that witnessed it.</p> <p>During our Inter Faith week, we will be exploring the stories of Hinduism. We will also be having daily worships and taking time in the day to reflect on the messages from this.</p>	<p>Perhaps explore the Easter story with your child, the events of Holy Week and ordering these.</p> <p>Maybe look at some of the key stories from Hinduism such as Ramayana with your child and the messages behind these.</p>




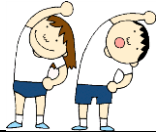





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<b>Geography</b> 	In Geography, we are going to be exploring the UK! In this topic, the children will be learning about the countries of the UK, the capital cities and some of their key locational features.	Help locate the UK with your child on a globe. Have the children ever been to any of the other countries of the UK, what were they like? Perhaps research some different pictures and compare the countries.
<b>Science</b> 	In Science, we will be observing, comparing, classifying and describing UK plants. We will be exploring different types of plants such as wild plants, garden plants and trees. We will be using terms such as 'deciduous', 'evergreen', 'leaves', 'stem', 'flower', 'blossom' and many more to describe a wide variety of plants.	Perhaps explore different plants and trees with your child. Can they name the different parts? What trees do they notice stay the same through the seasons? Do any of them change?
<b>Art &amp; Design</b> 	In Art, we will be delving into the topic of 'Botanical Prints'. The children will have the opportunity to observe, sketch and have a go at different print techniques.	Perhaps have a look at different botanical prints online with your child. Have they got a favourite one? What do they like about it?
<b>PE</b> 	We are focusing on Games for Understanding (Golf), Outdoor Adventurous Activities and Cricket & Rounders in PE this half term. Children should come into school wearing PE kits. We may do PE outside so please ensure your child is dressed accordingly. Our PE days are <b>Thursdays</b> and <b>Fridays</b>	Please also make sure your child has the correct PE kit. Information on required PE kit can be found on our website: <a href="http://www.holycrosscpri.iow.sch.uk/web/school_uniform/591997">http://www.holycrosscpri.iow.sch.uk/web/school_uniform/591997</a>
<b>PSHE</b> 	Our topic in PSHE this half term is 'Created to Love in Community'. This topic spans all of the Summer Term, and it explores our relationships with the wider world. We will also continue to look at staying safe online	Talk about how we can have healthy relationships and being safe online and who we should talk to if we are unsure about something online.
<b>Computing</b> 	Our topic for this half term is 'Grouping Data'. Through this topic, we will be labelling and matching, grouping and counting and answering questions from data collected.	Perhaps continue to get your child to be familiar with the parts of the computer and use the keys and the keyboard.
<b>Homework</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily reading – recording it in the reading record (15mins). <b>Children need their reading book and reading record in school every day.</b></li> <li>• Year 1 – Practise the sounds your child is learning - You can use the parent page on <a href="#">Little Wandle</a> to support you. (10mins)</li> <li>• Weekly maths and spelling activity. <b>Homework is set on a Friday and due on a Friday. Each piece of homework handed in will be rewarded with 2 dojos!</b></li> </ul> <p>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!</p>	