

General Class Information

Mrs Niewiadomski will be supporting in year 1 full time alongside completing interventions in an afternoon and Mr Forrester will be a 1-to-1 in the class.

Reading diaries

Please ensure that your child is heard reading at home at least **three times a week**. This needs to be recorded in their Home/School reading diaries. Books will be changed once the children have read their books three times.

Spellings

Spellings will be given on a Friday and then tested the following Friday. These spellings will be put in to a simple dictation sentence and will form part of our English lessons.

These spellings will be a mixture of high-frequency words and phonetically decodable words. It is important that you practice these spellings with your child.

PE

Our PE day is a **Thursday**. Children must bring their PE kit into school on a Monday and after their PE lesson on Thursday, the children will come home in their PE kits. Correct P.E uniform for this is a white t-shirt, navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms and pumps. Children may be carrying out activities outside and are advised to wear trainers if possible.

Here at St John the Evangelist's, we have an open door policy and if you would ever like to talk to myself then please email via year1-ks1@stjohnskidsgrove.org.uk or you can talk to me at the door.

Yours sincerely
Miss Yates



Let's explore our local area.

**Class: Year One
Term: Autumn One**

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back! I am so excited to get to know you all and grow together as a class. Below is a brief outline of what we will be learning in each subject during the first part of our Autumn Term. We will be working towards becoming more formal in our learning whilst still being able to have fun.

Values and Virtues

This half term our values and virtues are Eloquent and Truthful.

We will be eloquent and have the ability to speak or write with force and in a convincing way and be truthful to our friends and family.

Religious Education

In RE this term, we will be exploring the creation story. We will be focusing on putting the creation story in order and then putting the creation story in our own order of importance. We will understand what God created on different days and then focus on how we have a responsibility to live out our lives in the image of God by using our talents.

We will also be learning about our class Saint, Saint Mary and towards the end of the half term, we will learn about the unit 'Families and Celebrations'. We will understand what it means to belong to, and celebrate as, a family.

English

Our texts for this half-term will be Stickman, Little Red Riding Hood and Avocado Baby. Our main focus will be listening too, sequencing and retelling traditional tales. We will be understanding and using punctuation in our writing, including capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.

Maths

In maths, we will look at number recognition and place value up to 10. We will be counting objects, representing objects, reasoning and problem solving, counting forwards and backwards and counting one more and one less.

Science

This half-term, we will be investigating animals including humans. This includes focusing on 'All about us' and the human body. The children will learn about basic parts of the body and about their five senses. We will be working scientifically through investigations. Each week, we will focus on a different sense to develop our understanding.

P.E

This half-term, Year 1 will have their P.E lessons on a **Thursday**. Port Vale will be teaching the children for this half-term and they will be developing their co-ordination skills.

Please ensure children have the correct P.E kit for indoor and outdoor lessons .

Art

During this half term we will be learning all about how to draw portraits. We will learn about some different artists, such as Vincent Van Gogh and Picasso and we will complete a range of different lessons to develop our drawing skills and draw portraits and self-portraits.

Geography

This half term the children will be focusing on the local area. We will be exploring our local area and thinking about what we like and dislike about it. We will also be contrasting our local area to other areas of the United Kingdom and learning how to use a map and exploring compasses. We will understand the differences between a town, city and village and fingers crossed, we will be able to go on a local area walk, where we will hunting for certain buildings.

Phonics

The children will continue to do phonics and have a daily lesson focusing on phase 3 sounds. Please support your child at home with their phonics by reading with them and helping them to practise their spellings. Your child will also have a piece of phonics homework set on Purple Mash every week which they will be expected to complete.

Music

Music will be taught this half term by our music specialist Mrs Amison.

Homework

Homework will be set in a grid in a homework book. You must choose 1 piece of homework to complete each week and homework books need to be in on a **Wednesday**. Books will then be returned back to the children on a **Wednesday** only after they have been marked. Alongside this homework, you will also have a phonics homework set on Purple Mash each week.