



KS1 Half Term Curriculum Plan / Home Learning Letter

Year One

Autumn 2nd Half Term: October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope all the children had a relaxing break after their first half term at St Mary's. We are very much looking forward to the weeks ahead and have lots of exciting learning experiences planned

Last term, the children settled back into school life beautifully and we are so very proud of them. Our recovery ethos activities included lots of opportunities for discussion, art work and class-bonding, which we feel helped their transition back to school. This half term, much of the learning will stem from our key Literacy texts, 'The Day the Crayons Quit', 'The Black Book of Colours', 'The Nativity Story', as well as some autumn themed poems and from our topic work on 'Weather and Seasons'. Later in the half term we will carry out a range of activities linked to celebrating Christmas.

The table below provides a brief overview of the learning experiences children will be having across the subjects.

Subjects	Focus of Learning
English	The children will be using key texts in order to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing letters as a range of characters • Writing poems based on colours. • Using their phonic knowledge to write a growing range of words. • Revising the correct formation of individual letters. • Sequencing the nativity story
Phonics	This half term we will be recapping the phase 5 phonemes covered so far, and move on to looking at the rest of the phonemes from the phase: ew, oe, au, ey, i_e (like), e_e (these), o_e (home), u_e (rule)
Maths	Comparing and ordering numbers to 30 and beyond. Giving simple directions using the appropriate vocabulary. Revising number bonds to 3, 5, 6 and 10. Learning to subtract by counting backwards. Identifying different coins. Making teen numbers using 10s and 1s.
Science	Understanding that there are four seasons and naming each one. Identifying signs of Autumn outside. Understand what the weather is like in Autumn. Discussing how we will know that we are moving into winter.
Computing	Using word on a laptop. Typing using a keyboard. Changing font size and colour.
Geography	Identify the different seasons. Identify the different months of the year. Understand the weather of different seasons.
PHSCE	Celebrating difference - understanding that everyone is different and learning to include others.



Art	Exploring how they can use different materials to make marks. Exploring the effect of drawing on different surfaces. Carrying out an observational drawing
RE	Retelling the Nativity story. Learning about why Jesus' birth is so important to Christians. Identifying the gifts that Jesus was given and discussing why they were so special. Discussing what they would like to give Jesus.

Home Learning

Home learning will be set on google classroom. It will consist of either a Maths or Literacy task (this will alternate weekly) and a list of spellings to practice that will support learning in class. It will set on **Friday** and needs to be completed and turned in by the following **Tuesday**. In addition to these home learning tasks we recommend that children also engage with RM Easi-Maths on a regular basis. Please let a member of the Year One team know, if you need any help accessing these platforms.

Reading

Each week we will be sending home two school reading books. As part of our COVID 19 control measures all books returned to school will be placed in a quarantine box until for 72 hours before they are sent out again. Details about which day the children will need to return their books to school will be sent out separately.

One of the most important ways in which you can support your child's learning is to ensure that they engage with 10- 15 minutes reading every day. This can consist of hearing them read their school reading book or sharing books that you have at home. Instead of having a paper reading record, we have created an online reading record, which can be accessed and completed once a week, via Google Classroom.

PE

We will be having PE sessions on **Monday** and **Friday**. As part of our control measures, we do not want children to change in the classroom so on **these days, children will need to come in to school wearing** their PE kit. This should consist of their school polo top or school PE t-shirt, jogging bottoms and trainers (not plimsolls, due to possible wet weather).

School Bags

School bags should not be brought to school. Children will not be transporting home learning folders or pencil cases. When they need to bring items on site e.g. a reading book, they should **use a named plastic bag or a book bag.**

Packed Lunches

If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please bring it in a plastic bag (not box) for ease of cleaning and storage on pegs.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

If you have any questions, please contact the class team via the School Office email.

Miss Christou and the Year 1 team