



# Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

## Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

### Autumn Term



Please read the below information to find out what your child will be learning this term.  
Please find more information on our school website under 'Key Information: Curriculum'.

### English

This term, in Writing, we will be looking at two texts: 'King Charles' and 'Mae Among the Stars'. We will be revisiting writing objectives from Year 1 and begin to use conjunctions to link clauses. As well as this, we will be collecting adjectives to describe nouns and practising our handwriting daily. For Reading, we will recap phase 5 phonics and continue to practise our decoding and comprehension skills.

### Maths

This term, in Maths, we will first focus on Place Value where we will revisit our knowledge of tens and ones and counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. We will then focus on the four operations; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will use concrete objects such as dienes and counters to help us. We will continue to practise recalling our numbers to 10 and 100 so that we are confident with both addition and subtraction facts. During this term, we will also cover measurement of time, money and length.

### Science

In Science, we will be studying the topic 'Animals Including Humans'. Within this topic, we will notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults, we will find out the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air) and describe the importance for humans of exercise and eating the right amounts of food.

### Religious Education (R.E)

In RE, we will be looking at 'Creation and Covenant'. We will be retelling Genesis 1 and discussing the creation of people and what it means to be 'made in the image of God'. We will also talk about the covenant God made with Abraham and how he freed the Israelites.

### Art and DT

In Art, we will begin with colour theory, painting and printing, which will link to our topic 'The Crown'. We will study two artists; Atta Kwa-mi and Paul Klee. In Autumn 2, in DT, we will focus on our design and building skills linked to our geography topic 'Arsenal'. We will use pulley systems and consider what materials to use.

### Humanities

In history, our topic 'The Crown' will look at the chronology of King Charles' life as well as key points in British history. In Geography, we will have a local focus that centres around Arsenal. We will look at maps, exploring the local area and looking at the difference between physical and human features!

### PE

In PE, we will be doing Gymnastics with apparatus and completing a unit called 'Hit, Catch, Run'. We will be practising our balancing skills and how to create power in our routines. We will also practise our defending skills and begin to hit a ball with different apparatus.

### Computing

In Computing, we will learn to use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private; identify where to go for help and support when we have concerns about content or contact on the internet or other online technologies.

### PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic) Education

In PSHE, we are beginning the term by learning about the Zones of Regulation and how this can support us to regulate our emotions. After half term, we will look at RSE and discuss boys, girls and families – celebrating their diverseness!

### Music

Firstly, we will link our Music lessons to our topic by taking inspiration from the British Isles, exploring how to create sounds to represent contrasting landscapes: seaside, countryside and city. We will then study Black History Month and include a study of artists within the genre and culture. In Autumn 2, this will culminate in a performance of singing and using percussion instruments.

### Reminders:

PE days: Monday and Thursday. Children should be coming into school wearing their PE kit.

PE Kit: standard white Sacred Heart PE top, blue Sacred Heart PE shorts, suitable trainers. The winter variation is plain grey or navy-blue tracksuit bottoms.

Homework: Reading and Sound books to be completed every night. Every Friday, there will be Maths or Spelling Homework.