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Meet the Teacher

Wednesday 20th September 2023



Who's Who in Year Two?



Mr Ward

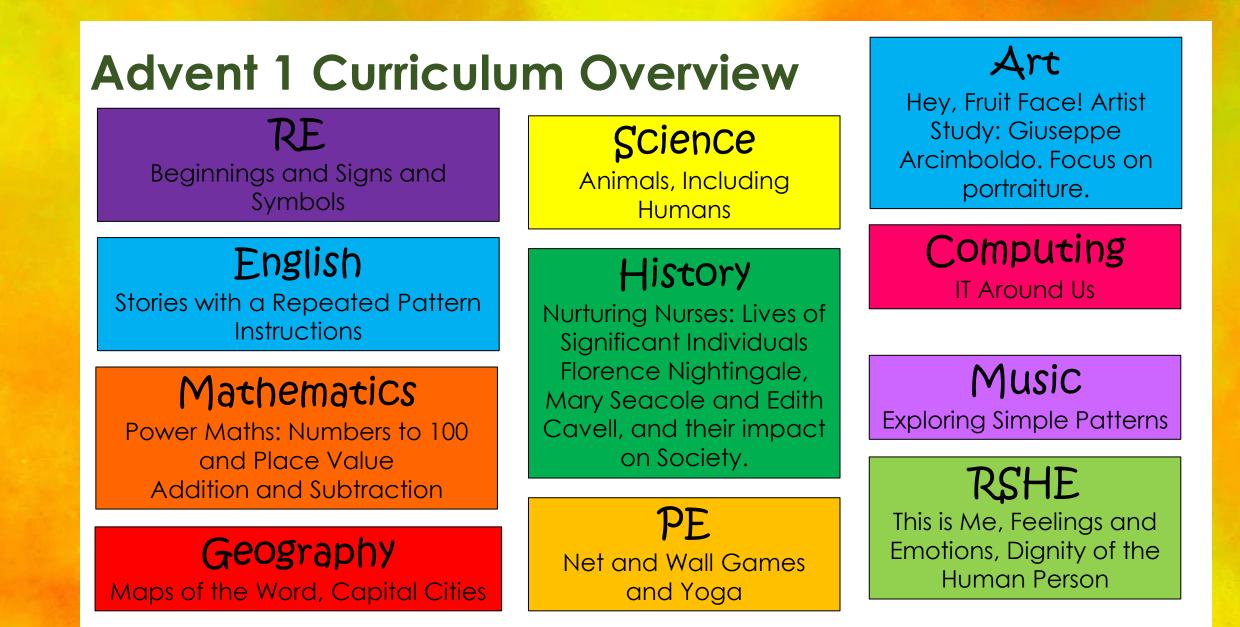


Mrs Parry

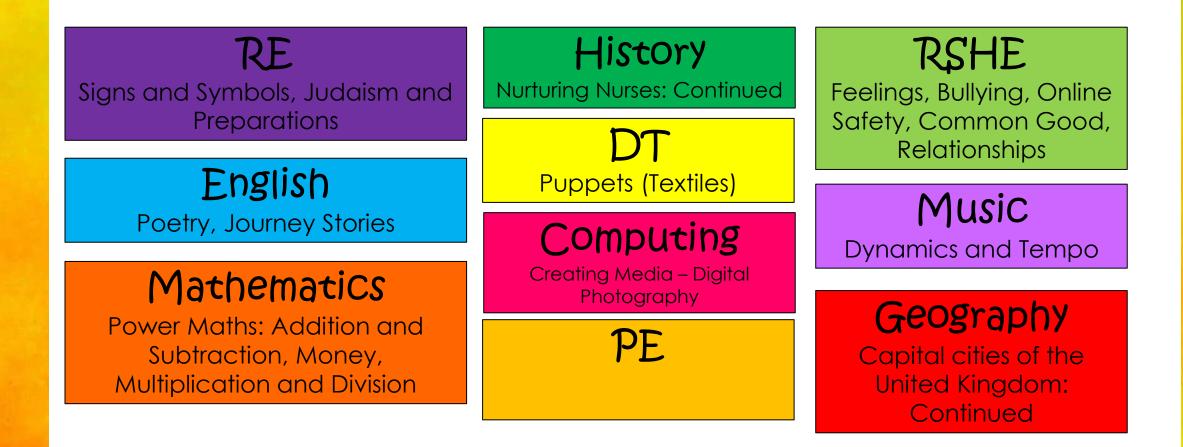
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Communication, **Reporting and Assessments**

- Parents' Consultation in October and March (Virtual School Cloud)
 End of Year School Report and opportunity for consultation
- Informal communication (end of the school day, appointments made via the school office, newsletters, class web pages)
- Feedback Policy How we'll be giving your children feedback.
- Year 2 End of Key Stage 1 Tests (SATs) in May (Arithmetic, Reasoning, 2 Reading Papers, SPaG Tests) These tests inform Teacher Assessment
 Year 1 Phonics Screening in June (Opportunity to resit)



Advent 2 Curriculum Overview



A day in the life of a Year 2 pupil...

09:00 – 09:05	Registration and Prayers Morning Task
09:05 – 10:00	Read Write Inc Phonics, Reading and Writing
10:00 - 10:45	Talk 4 Writing
10:45 – 11:00	Morning Break
11:00 – 11.55	Maths
11:55 – 13:05	Lunch Time
13:05	Registration
13:05 – 14:00	RE
14:00 - 14:20	Class Liturgical Prayer
14:20 - 14:35	Afternoon Break
14:35 – 15:20	History
15:20 – 15:30	Class Story

Uniform and PE Kit

Smart and ready to learn

Saint Elizabeth's was founded by the nuns of the Franciscan order in 1936. Our uniform is gold and brown to reflect the colour of the clothes worn by Saint Francis.

St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School uniform identifies us to the wider community, while wearing it instils a sense of belonging and equality amongst the children.

Our school **winter uniform** is white shirt (polo shirt in KS1, no tie. Collared shirt in KS2, brown and gold tie, brown jumper or cardigan, brown skirt or pinafore dress, black trousers or shorts, black shoes, black, grey, brown or white socks. Any items for hair should remain within these colours of white, black, brown or yellow. Any items for hair should remain within these colours of white, black, brown or yellow.

Our **active uniform** – which is often referred to as PE kit – is worn to school on PE or sports days. The active uniform is yellow polo shirt, yellow sweatshirt with school logo (optional), unbranded black shorts or black joggers. Trainers or pumps with black, grey or white socks.

Our PE lessons are on the following days:

Advent 1 – Monday and Wednesday

School coats should be either a brown school fleece or black or brown coat.

School bags can be any appropriate bag, however we do request a small size due to storage in school cloakroom areas. School book bags are available to purchase from the school office.

Please ensure that all items of uniform are permanently labelled with your child's name. This ensures that we can get items back to their rightful owner if they go astray.

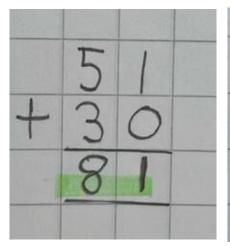
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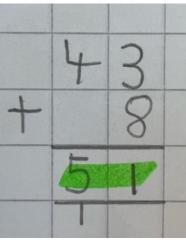
- Daily teaching of phonics and reading
- Review of previously learnt sound
- Introduce new sound
- Teaching of strategies to decode words containing new sound
- Speed read of words containing previously taught sounds
- Assessment of reading through the reading of 'nonsense' words or place names containing new sound
- Spelling of words containing new sounds
- Reading of books in pairs with activities to develop fluency, expression, retrieval and inference skills.

Year 2 Reading Expectations

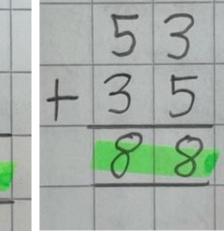
- At least 10 minutes reading every day
- Reading to an adult
- Being read to by adults regularly
- Developing a love of reading through books at home
- Practising key words and phonics
- Read Write Inc Book-Bag Books are matched to phonics ability.
- Children change their Read, Write Inc Book-Bag Books on Wednesdays.
- Reread boóks to develop fluency, pace, expression and comprehension.
- Complete all activities and questions.

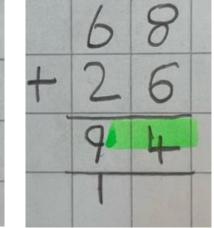
Mathematics

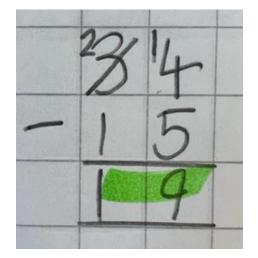


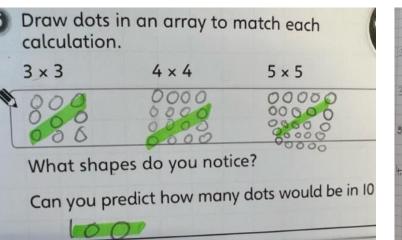


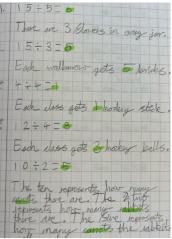












Dates for your diary...

25.09.23 – We will begin collecting donations for our Harvest appeal.

10.10.23 – Whole School Harvest Celebration (15:00)

17.10.23 - Parents' Evening (School Cloud)

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26.10.23 – Year 2 Liturgical Prayer (15:00)

W/C 30.10.23 – Half Term

06.11.23 - INSET Day

07.11.23 – INSET Day

13.11.23 – Times Table Rock Star Day (Dress Up Like A Rock Star!), Maths Week

13.11.23 – Anti-Bullying Week and Judaism Week in RE

12.12.23 – Nativity (14:00)

13.12.22 – Nativity (18:30)

21.12.23 – Whole School Advent Mass (10:15)

22.12.23 – Carols Around the Tree. Break Up for Christmas Holidays

May 2023 – Key Stage One SATs

Other helpful information





Welcome Back

Welcome back to school and a dramatic relocation of the Year 2 classroom... the stage! What an unusual start to the new academic year we've had!

We hope that you have a fun-filled summer holiday and that you're ready for some exciting and challenging learning in Year Two: We have had a fantastic first week back and we are so proud of how all of the children have settled in and adjusted to our new home.

Mr Ward will be teaching the class on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mrs Parry will be teaching on a Thursday and Friday.

Franciscan Values

As a school, we continue to celebrate our Franciscan heritage through our seven values – based on the Franciscan values. The seven values are: Joy, Forgiveness, Faith, Respect, Service, Peace and Stewardship. These underpin all that we do as a school. We will all strive to live out these values on a daily basis but each class will pay close attention to their own value. In Year 2, our value is **faith**. Take some time to think. What is faith? Do you know any Bible stories about faith? How can we show faith in our lives?

Come and See

Our first topic in RE this term is 'Beginnings'. In this topic we will explore how God is with us at every beginning and how we can celebrate the many beginnings each day offers. We will be learning about the story of Creation and some of the Psalms that tell us about how God knows and loves each one of us. Love out for our 'Knowledge Organiser', which we will upload to the school website to support your learning in RE.

Our second topic this half term is 'Signs and Symbols', in which we will be thinking about the symbols of infant Baptism. We will be learning how the Church family welcomes a new baby. Another 'Knowledge Organiser' will be sent home when we start this topic.

Prayer and worship remain an integral part of each day and the children are very welcome to bring in and share any prayers or books on our class prayer table.

English

In Read, Write Inc and Phonics, children will be assessed regularly and placed into groups to support their early reading, spelling and writing. During these Read, Write Inc lessons, we explicitly teach phonics, reading, writing, grammar and spelling.

In our Talk 4 Writing lessons, we will be creating our own version of the story 'Fussy Fredds' This is the story of a girl who was so fussy that she refused to eat anything that was cooked for her. However, Fredds' fussy eating soon has disastrons consequences! We will be using the Talk 4 Writing model to learn the story and eventually write our own? We will be focussing on using basic sentence punctuation, how to use commas in a list, conjunctions and adjectives. Following this we will be learning how to write instructions - using imperative verbs and adverbs.

