







Saint Mary's R.C. Primary School EYFS Newsletter

Friday 17th November 2023

Challenge

Each week we set a challenge for your child. This is an opportunity for you to support your child in their learning and for you to find out about what we do in school. Please complete the challenge each week as the children feel left out if their friends have done it and they haven't! All challenges need to be in school no later than the Thursday.

FS1

Please can you practise counting objects by touching each one carefully. Please send us a photo on dojo and let us know how far your child counted.

FS2

We have just given you targets to work on with your child and so this week we would like you to work on these. If you would like to work on one specifically and then send in your child's learning from this, that would be lovely to see, but don't worry if you want to focus on a few!

Topic- FS1

Autumn:

This week we have completed a cutting activity to make an Autumn tree.

Nursery Rhyme Week: The children have enjoyed sharing their Nursery Rhyme books from home and saying which we liked best. We liked Twinkle Twinkle and Hickory Dickory Dock.

Class Names

FS1 (Mrs Openshaw's class) are called the **Sparrows** FS2G (Mrs Gerrard's class) are called the **Wrens** FS2M (Mrs Morton's class) are called the **Robins**

Newsletter Colours

Anything in black writing is applicable to both FS1 (Nursery) children and FS2 (Reception) children.

Anything in red is for FS1 children/ parents.

Anything in blue is for FS2 children/ parents.

Times

FS1 times are:8.45-8.55 am (for morning children and full timers) 11.45 am finish for morning children. Afternoon start is 12pm. All children finish at 3.00 pm. Please be on time at the beginning and end of the day. FS2 times are:

8.45-55am start and 3.00 pm finish. Please be on time at the beginning and end of the day.

Topic- FS2

This week we have been learning about Autumn. We have learned about changes in the environment such as leaves changing colour and falling from the trees. We have also been talking about baptism and how we are welcomed into our families and into the family of the church. Thank you to those parents who sent in photos. Next week we will continue our learning about baptism and we will also be learning about friendships and kindness. In maths we are learning about time- days of the week and sequencing events in our day.

FS1 Weekly Vocabulary

Please try to use this vocabulary with your children. **Topic Vocab:** Autumn, leaves, change, colours, hibernation

Maths vocab: count, touch, altogether, 1 2 3 4 5

This week's songs, rhymes, poems and stories
Please sing or let your child listen to these rhymes.

Rhymes/ poems and songs: We have been learning the songs for our Christmas Concert. We have learned phonics songs: Socks and snakes and sausages and Pinky Party Pig.

Stories: Stanley Stick, farm stories

Christmas (Provisional dates)

Christmas really isn't that far away so here are our provisional dates for things happening in school (more information will follow)

Wednesday 13th Dec - Christmas dinner

Thursday 14th Dec 10am - FS2 Concert
Friday 15th Dec 10am - FS1 Concert

Christmas Fair

This year our Christmas Fair will be on 25.11.23. We would really appreciate donations of raffle prizes such as bottles, chocolate, toys, toiletries etc. We will be holding a wear your own clothes day each week until the fair.

NEXT WEEK- THURSDAY, the children can wear their own clothes in exchange for a bottle for the bottle tombola at the Christmas fair.

Thank you for your donations for Children In Need.

Christmas donations

We kindly ask for donations of Christmas resources such as craft materials, silver tinsel and white snow effect material so we can decorate our unit/classrooms ready for the festive season!



Baptism Photographs

If your child has been baptised please send in a photo of them for us to share in class.

FS2 Weekly Vocabulary

Please try to use this vocabulary with your children. **Topic Vocab:** Autumn, changes, trees and plants, animals, hibernation, seasons, weather

Maths vocab: same, different, count, order, 1 2 3 4 5, more, less

This week's songs, rhymes, poems and stories
Please sing or let your child listen to these rhymes.

Rhymes/Poems and songs: God loves me, Autumn leaves are falling down, Jesus' love is very wonderful

Stories: Owl babies, EYFS playtime

Parents' Day

Thank you to everyone who attended parents' day.

It was a great opportunity to share your child's learning and achievements with you and give you targets to work on so we can work together to ensure your child makes good progress!

If you were unable to attend our reading opportunity we will be sending home some phonics flashcards so you can support your child with their learning.

FSU Donations

We welcome donations of £1 a week/ or a half termly donation to our school fund so we can enhance our areas and support the children in their learning. Thank you to the parents who have already sent in a donation! It really does help!

Please can we have donations of junk modelling resources, just no big boxes please.

