

# St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School



We give thanks to God, work together and always try our best

## Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter: Summer

### Message from Year one staff

Dear Parents,

We are so happy to see the children back in school, happy and healthy, after the Easter break. They will have needed the long earned break and are hopefully fully refreshed for their final term in Year 1. We have some fun topics coming up this term.

### Key dates for the Diary

Year 1 Mass: Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May

INSET day: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July

Sports day: Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

End of term: 17<sup>th</sup> July 1pm

Please note – a Summer trip is in the process of being organised! TBC.  
Look out for information on this.

### Key Information

#### PE

Your child's PE days are Monday and Wednesday. This term they will be taught about team work and take part in team games. Children will also continue to take part in 'Little Movers' dance sessions. Children should come into school wearing their full PE kit on these days.

#### Reading Folders

Reading folders should be brought into school every day so that reading books are available to be read at any point during the week, either independently or with an adult.

#### Homework

Homework will be sent home on a Friday to be returned no later than the following Wednesday.

#### Water Bottles, sun-cream and sun hat.

Please ensure your child brings in a water bottle every day. Sun cream must be applied at home.

## Summer Term learning in Year One

**RE:** This term our R.E. work focuses upon three themes: Holidays and Holy days – Pentecost, Being Sorry – Reconciliation and Neighbours – Universal Church.

**Maths:** This term we will be learning about counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We will explore repeated addition – adding groups of equal numbers. We will also be introducing the children to fractions; learning about halves and quarters. We will explore position and direction. There will be consolidation and further learning in the place value unit; learning to recognise and work with numbers up to 100. We will also be introduced to the money topic where we will learn about the value of some coins and notes.

**English:** This term we will continue to read the class text – The Magic Faraway Tree. We will be learning how to write instructions as well as planning and writing our own adventure stories. We will focus on developing our writing skills; learning how to punctuate sentences accurately as well as use other punctuation such as exclamation marks and question marks. We will continue to build on using adjectives, verbs and nouns in our writing. We will also begin to use more adventurous conjunctions in our sentences.

### Other Curriculum Areas

In **Science**, we will study Plants and seasonal changes. We will also be learning about Earth and Space, finding out about the many planets and exploring how astronauts travel to space.

In **History**, we will continue to find out about Florence Nightingale and Mary Anning; two influential women from the past

In **Geography**, we will be studying the weather. We will learn about the weather symbols. We will also find out about places in the world that are hot and discover the links of this to the equator. We will find out about places that have extreme weather and compare the weather in the United Kingdom to another country in the world.

In **French**, we will continue to learn songs in French, read familiar books in French and learn some basic greetings

In **R.S.H.E** your child will be about good and bad secrets. They will also learn about communities

In **Design Technology** we will design, make and evaluate a moving picture

In **Art** we will revisit colour mixing as well as explore artists such as Kandinsky

In **Music**, the children will listen to a range of music and we will use the Glockenspiels exploring simple chords.

In **Computing** the class will be involved in learning about Digital art and grouping data