

# St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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



## Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter: Autumn

### Message from Year One staff – Miss. Nolan, Mrs. McTavy and Miss. Doyle.

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

#### Key dates for the Diary

Please see diary dates 😊

### Key Information

#### PE

Your child's PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday. This term they will be taught about team work and take part in team games. 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.

### Autumn Term learning in Year One

**RE:** This term our R.E. work focuses upon three themes: Families – Domestic Church, Belonging – Baptism & Waiting – Advent

**Maths:** This term we will be learning about place value including numbers within 10, addition & subtraction within 10 and 2D & 3D shapes. We will be focusing on number formation and lots of practical activities to support learning,

**English:** This term we will continue to read the class text – Dear Zoo. We will be learning how to write words which match spoken sounds, recognise sentences in reading, write simple sentences demarcated with a full stop, separate words with spaces and begin to use capital letters accurately. 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.

#### Other Curriculum Areas

In **Science**, we will study Animals including humans where we will look at grouping animals by species and learning the parts of the human body. We will also be learning about plants -their different parts & seasonal changes.

In **History**, we will be looking at toys from the past and how they have changed over time. We will look at what toys are made out of and what toys our grandparents played with and what we play with now.

In **Geography**, we will be studying where we live, the local area, and what does our local area look like on a map.

In **French**, we will 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 evaluating smoothies and will learn about where fruit comes from and where it grows.

In **Art** we will be learning about and experimenting with 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.