



St Edward's Catholic Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter Spring 2024: Year 1



A message from Mrs Wright...

I am looking forward to another fun and exciting term working with Year One.

I cannot wait to share your child's achievements and successes with you!

There will be plenty of opportunities for the children to challenge themselves, learn lots of new things and most importantly have fun while learning.

Alongside me in the classroom will be Miss Calder, and on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon Mr Colson. We will be working together to ensure that your child continues to have a successful and enjoyable time in Year One.

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Special people: What makes a person special?

Meals: What makes some meals special?

Change: How and why do things change?

Creative Curriculum

This year our school curriculum focuses on Britain.

In history, we will continue to study the **Stone Age and the Iron Age**.

In science, we will develop our knowledge of animals, including humans, alongside learning about our scientist: **David Attenborough**.

In art, we will develop our art skills while focusing on the artist **Mary Fedden**.

English

Key text: **Beegu**.

Whole class reading sessions will focus on fiction books which link to the key text.

Reading skills will be developed during our daily phonic sessions.

Daily handwriting practice will introduce the children to the poem, now we are six by A.A.Milne.

During the day, there will be plenty of reading opportunities and many activities to extend their handwriting skills.

Maths

This term we will be exploring addition and subtraction and place value within twenty.

Our mini topics are:
Position and direction.
Height and length.

Excitingly, the children will also be given (pretend) money to buy their fruit at snack time, as an introduction to the mini topic of money.

Homework and how to help your child at home...

Please make sure that your child returns their reading books to school on Thursday as they will be changed on Friday.

Each week, they will bring home two books. A new decodable book which matches their phonics knowledge, and a self-chosen, reading for pleasure book that is to be enjoyed with yourselves or other family members. Please engage in conversation with your child about the book they have chosen, be sure to ask lots of questions about the story to build their comprehension skills.

Your child will be set a termly homework task for Music, DT and Geography which will be given out on Friday 12th January to be completed by the 18th March- be as creative as you can!