

St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Year 2

Autumn Curriculum 2018



Once upon  
a time...

## Overview of topic

### English

The children will be reading a variety of fairy tales, myths and legends throughout the term.

The children will be writing; poetry, stories, diary entries, letters and instructions.

The children will be encouraged to practise their letter formation and be taught how to construct and punctuate a sentence correctly.

### Reading

Develop pleasure in reading.

Listen and respond to a wide variety of poetry.

Talk about texts and give opinions.

Retell some stories orally.

Talk about favourite books and authors.

### Science

#### 'Materials and their properties'

Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses.

Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

#### 'Animals, including humans'

Naming and describing animals, their offspring and habitats.

### Maths

#### Number

Addition and subtractions facts, up to 20;

Place value; tens and ones;

Ordering and comparing numbers, up to 100;

Mental addition and subtraction (1 and 2 digit numbers);

2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables;

Reading, and comparing, a variety of scales;

Money problems involving addition and subtraction;

Counting back and on in ones and tens from any given number;

Estimation.

### RE

Beginnings;

Signs and symbols;

Preparation

More information to follow regarding the Advent term RE topics.

## Art/DT

Use a range of material to make products.

Explore pattern, colour, line, texture and shape.

Research the work of famous artists.

Design and make purposeful products and be able to evaluate and modify.

## Music

We follow the 'inspiring music' scheme of work;

Hand, feet, heart; South African Music.

Ho, ho, ho: Linked to Christmas.

## History

Research events beyond living memory: castles and knights

Research significant individuals: Mary Seacole.

## PE

Master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities.

Participate in team games, developing simple tactics for attacking and defending. Perform dances using simple movement patterns.

## Geography

Positional language, compass directions and creating a map of Fairyland.

Recognise human and physical features on a map; Children will create a map of 'fairy tale land'.

## The term ahead in Year 2

### Topic

#### 'Once upon a time'

The children will explore fiction and non-fiction books related to the topic. The children will learn about characters, settings and morals in stories. They will also learn about a variety of topic-related places and people such as castles and knights using non-fiction books.

### PE

#### Monday and Friday

Please ensure that your child has the correct P.E. kit. This should consist of plimsolls or trainers, blue shorts and a white t-shirt. School jumpers or sweatshirts and jogging bottoms can be worn in colder weather. For health and safety reasons, children are not permitted to wear jewellery during P.E.

### Homework

**Homework** is given out on a **Thursday** to be completed and handed in the following **Wednesday**. This year your child will not have a homework book. Instead, each week your child will bring home a booklet, with certain page numbers to complete. Please do return the booklet on Wednesday each week. If your child does not return the booklet you will be charged a small fee to replace it.

**Spellings** are given out on a **Monday**; a spelling test will take place each Friday.

### Water bottle and snack

Children are encouraged to bring a named water bottle to school each day.

Fruit is provided every day for the children to have at break time.

## Key dates in Autumn term

3.9.18	Staff training day
4.9.18	Start of Autumn 1 term
10.9.18	Fairy tale day
12.9.18	Meet the Teacher / SATS meeting
13.9.18	Roald Dahl day
3.10.18	Class assembly
22.10.18	Half term
29.10.18	Staff training day
30.10.18	Start of Autumn 2 term
5.12.18	Dell Farm – Nativity day
17.12.18 / 18.12.18	Key Stage One Christmas Nativity
21.12.18	Christmas holidays

Please keep checking the school website and Class dojo for any further updates regarding important dates this term.

## How you can help your child at home

### Class Dojo

The majority of communication with parents is through Class Dojo. Please ask for a login if you have not already signed up.

### Reading

Spend time with your child reading. He/she will be bringing home his/her school reading book but don't feel that is the only book you can read with your child. If you prefer, choose a book from home or a library book and record that in your child's reading record. Books will be changed when it is felt that your child is ready.

### Common Exception words and phonic phase words

Your child will have word lists. These are common words that your child should be able to read and spell by the end of the academic year.

### Maths

Practising times tables; 2, 5 and 10.  
Number bonds to 10, 20 and 100.



