

Big Question
What can we learn from saints?



Year 2
Autumn 2



ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE

By the end of this half term, the children will know...

- Advent is a time to prepare for Jesus' coming
- How to write a range of sentence types including statements, questions and commands
- How to add and subtract 2-digit numbers
- The names and properties of 2-D and 3-D shapes
- The properties of a range of materials
- The countries of the UK and the surrounding seas and water
- How to create a mono-print
- How to sew using the running and over stitch
- How to perform using different sound patterns

Caritas Theme

Family and Community

I belong to my family and my community.

My community needs me.

CST

November – Remembrance

Anti-Bullying Week
 10/11/25-14/11/25
 Odd Socks Day on 13/11/25

Switch Off Fortnight
 11/11/25-24/11/25

Advent Giving

Holy Days

All Saints Day
 1st November

All Souls Day
 2nd November

Advent
 1/12/25

Celebrations

De Los Muertos – Day of the Dead
 2nd November

Remembrance Day
 11th November

UK Parliament Week
 17/11/25-21/11/25

Core Subjects

Religion

Branch Two: Prophecy and Promise

Hear

- The Annunciation of John the Baptist (Lk 1:5-20)
- The Annunciation of Jesus (Lk 1:26-38)
- The Visitation (Lk 1:39-50, 53)
- The birth of John the Baptist (Lk 1:57-58)
- Zechariah’s voice is restored (The circumcision of John the Baptist) (Lk 1:59-66, 67,76)
- The Birth of Jesus (Lk 2:1-8)

Including, for the season of Advent: Is 7:14, 9:1-2, 5-7 (Extracts from the book of Immanuel)

Believe

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

- That prophets and prophetesses communicate God’s message inspired by the Holy Spirit. John the Baptist is born to be a prophet.
- Christians believe that the person Isaiah spoke of was Jesus. In Isaiah’s words, Christians recognise Jesus as a light in the darkness and Immanuel, ‘God-with-us’.
- Advent is the season when Christians prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ at Christmas.
- That Mary is the mother of God and our mother who is trusted with all our prayers.

Celebrate

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:

- Some words of Mary’s prayer, the Magnificat (Lk 1:46-50, 53) in which she gives thanks to God and prays for his just world to come.
- Advent is a time Christian preparation for Jesus’ coming.
- That the Advent wreath is a symbol of the coming of the light.
- How the Christmas story is celebrated in song: carol services.

Live

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

- About some daily/weekly commitments that enable Christians to live in a way that prepares them for Jesus’ coming.
- Advent preparations in different cultures.
- The meaning and interpretations of the candles/wreath in different cultural contexts.
- How Catholic Social Teaching (CST) can help to guide Christians to ‘share the light’ with others.

English

Phonics

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7
/zh/ spelled s	/ur/ spelled or	/j/ spelled g	/j/ spelled ge	/u/ spelled o	/oo/ spelled o	/j/ spelled dge
/zh/ spelled si	/or/ spelled ar	/n/ spelled gn	/n/ spelled kn	/zh/ spelled s or si	/h/ spelled wh	/o/ spelled a
Homophones	Homophones	/s/ spelled c	/s/ spelled ey	/r/ spelled wr	/ai/ spelled ea	/or/ spelled a and al

Writing

The Night Gardener by Terry Fan

GENRE- Narrative- Setting narrative

GPS- capital letters and full stops, finger spaces, statements, questions and commands, expanded noun phrases, adverbs with –ly suffix, coordinating conjunctions

GENRE- Diary

GPS- ‘because’ to subordinate, capital letters, full stops and expanded noun phrases. sentence types – commands, questions and statements, expanded noun phrases

Maths

Addition and Subtraction

- Add to next 10
- Add and subtract across a 10
- Subtract from a 10
- Subtract a 1-digit number from a 2-digit number across a ten
- 10 more, 10 less
- Add and subtract 10s
- Add two 2-digit numbers (no across a 10)
- Add two 2-digit numbers (across a 10)
- Subtract two 2-digit numbers (not across a 10)
- Subtract two 2-digit numbers (across a 10)
- Mixed addition and subtraction
- Compare number sentences
- Missing number problems

Shape

- Sort, recognise and name 2-D and 3-D shapes including lines of symmetry
- Count sides and vertices on 2-D shapes
- Count edges, vertices and faces on 3-D shapes
- Sort and make patterns with 2-D and 3-D shapes

Science

Materials

- Explore materials
- Wood, paper and cardboard
- Brick and rock
- Glass and plastic
- Metal
- Fabrics
- Same object, different material
- Test materials – bend, squash, twist and stretch
- Plan – waterproof experiment
- Investigate – waterproof experiment

Stewardship

The world has been given to us as a gift, to enjoy and care for – we need to respect the materials that we use

Sustainability: Plastic

- How is plastic helpful and harmful?
- How can we reduce our plastic waste in school?

Stewardship

God has entrusted us to be stewards of his earth so that future generations can enjoy it too

Foundation Subjects

Geography

The UK

Concepts: Place, Space and Scale

- To name and locate the four countries of the United Kingdom
- To name and locate the four capital cities of the UK
- To name and locate the seas around the UK
- To discuss the different human and physical features around the UK
- To discuss the different characteristics of countries of the UK
- To discuss the similarities and differences of the countries of the UK
- To describe what the countries of the UK are like

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Design and Technology

Textiles

Felt Christmas Decorations

- To explore a range of different Christmas decorations
- To practise cutting skills
- To practise the running stitch and over stitch
- To design a Christmas decoration
- To follow my design plan to sew and make a Christmas decoration
- To evaluate my Christmas decoration

Computing

Computer Skills

- To know how to navigate my school learning platform ‘Seesaw’

Physical Education

Health Related Fitness

- Demonstrate a range of fitness activities involving strength, agility, and balance.
- Describe how exercise affects the body (e.g., breathing, temperature).
- Understand the importance of warming up and cooling down.

Music

Call and Response

- Create short sounds with varied dynamics that represent an animal
- Copy a short sound pattern
- Explore call and response using instruments
- Create a sound pattern based on call and response
- Perform different sound patterns with contracting dynamics