

St Catherine's Catholic Primary School



Year 2 Spring Term 2

English

Our focus book in English for this half term is the fiction book 'The Day the Crayons Quit' by Drew Daywalt. Here the children will develop skills to support them in writing a persuasive letter to one of the crayons in the story. We will continue to have daily Phonics and handwriting sessions and will use VIPERS for whole class guided reading lessons to support the children in developing their fluency, retrieval and inference skills.

Maths

In Maths, we will begin by looking at division. Here the children will recall division facts, calculate mathematical statements for division and use the division sign. Our second topic is 'Shapes', here the children will identify, describe, compare and sort 2D and 3D shapes. We will then begin to measure capacity, volume and mass. The children will also be taught the column method to support them in efficiently adding two two-digit numbers.

Science

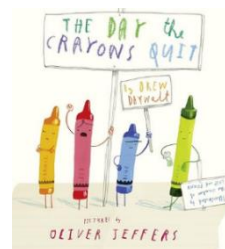
Our topic this half term in Science is 'Plants'. The children will work scientifically to develop their understanding of different plants we eat, identify differences and similarities in different plant seeds, describe how to keep plants healthy and explain how plants grow and change throughout their lifecycle. We will plant and observe our own cress and beans.

RE

In our Religious Education sessions, the children will continue to learn about the Eucharist. We will discuss how Mass is a special time to thank God, retell the story 'The Last Supper', identify the four parts of Mass and write our own prayers and hymn verses centring around thanksgiving. Our second topic 'Lent' will help prepare the children for Easter and develop their understanding of how Lent is an opportunity to start anew. The children will learn about and retell the events of Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Geography

Our topic this half term in Geography is 'Does every school look like ours?' In this unit, children will learn the location of their school on their street, explore the location of their city and identify some of the other key human and physical features of the area. The children will also learn the geographical human and physical features of Tromsø in Norway and Tulum Mexico and compare them to their own local area.



Music

In Music, we will be listening to and appraising Reggae music. The children will participate in a range of musical activities whereby they will find the pulse, clap rhythms, explore pitch, sing and play glockenspiels. We will work closely with our music specialist to deliver our music sessions this term.

Art

Our unit in Art this half term is '3D Sculpture Paper'. We will carry out an artist study into Ilgiz Asfandiyarov to develop our knowledge around sculpture. We will be using a range of materials to design and make our own sculptures based on Asfandiyarov's work.

PSHE

We will continue to use our Ten Ten scheme in our PSHE sessions to begin our new unit 'Created to love others'. The children will build upon their understanding that they have been created out of love and for love. We will explore how we take this calling into our family, friendships and relationships. The children will learn strategies to support them in developing healthy relationships and keeping safe both online and in their daily lives.

PE

The children will develop their bat and ball skills in PE sessions this half term. We will also continue to work closely with NUFC foundation, whereby the children will engage in team games to help develop their problem-solving skills.