

St Clare's

Catholic Primary School

Let Our Light Shine

Year 4

Termly Curriculum Overview

Autumn Term 2		
Religious Education	Collective Worship themes Saints Remembrance Courage Peace Advent Hope Gift/Giving Christmas/Love Sikhism Children will learn about the foundation of the Sikh religion. They will identify the first 5 Gurus and write about their lives and what they brought to the religion. Children will be taught that the Holy book of the Sikhs, the Guru Granth Sahib, is written in a script that is called Gurmukhi but it is in the language of Punjabi. Gift Children will learn that Advent is a time when we appreciate the love in our lives and prepare to celebrate love becoming a reality in the person of Jesus. Christians at Christmas celebrate the gift of Jesus, given by God as a sign and expression of God's love. Giving and receiving reflects the truth that all life is given by God and life is given meaning through the gift of Jesus.	
Maths	Basic Skills Multiplication and division facts for up to 12 x 12. Counting in multiples of 6, 7, 25 and 1000. Find 100 more or less than a given number. Count backwards through zero to include negative numbers. Round any 4 digit number to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000 Multiplication and division • Identify and explore patterns in multiplication tables including 7 and 9 • Distributive property including multiplying three 1-digit numbers • Mental multiplication and division strategies using place value and known and derived facts • Short multiplication Discrete and continuous data • Read, interpret and construct pictograms, bar charts and time graphs • Compare tables, pictograms and bar charts	
English Reading	Children will be using the book 'The Great Kapok Tree' written by Lynne Cherry. It tells the story of how a woodcutter enters the rainforest, ready to cut it down. He falls asleep and is visited by all the animals of the forest who speak to him about the problems of deforestation. Children will also take part in guided reading sessions to develop inference and deduction skills.	

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English	Grammar
	Use of prepositional phrases to expand sentences.
	Use of Standard English
	Use of expanded noun phrases for description.
	Punctuation
Grammar,	Use of commas after fronted adverbials.
Punctuation, Spelling	Apostrophes of possession in plural nouns
	Spelling
	Adding the suffix -ly
	Adding the prefix -inter
	Homophones
	Words from the statutory spelling list for Year and 4.
English Writing	Children will have the opportunity to write, setting poetry and persuasive letters – using
	'The Great Kapok Tree' as inspiration.
	There are also short writing opportunities within other areas of the curriculum
	Geography – Comparing similarities and differences between in a city in North America,
	to one in South America
	Science – Information text about an animal and the habitat it lives in.
	RE – Recounts of the life of the 5 Gurus .
	Electricity
	Knowledge
	Children learn to identify common appliances that run on electricity and how to stay safe
	when using electricity. They will learn to identify whether or not a lamp will light in a
<u> </u>	simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a
Science	battery. Children will be taught to recognise that a switch opens and closes the circuit
	and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit.
	Working scientifically
	Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts,
	including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.
	Investigate which materials are electrical conductors and electrical insulators
	North America and South America
	Children will learn to identify the latitude and longitude of the continents of North and
Geography	South America and the countries that make up those continents. Children will also study
	the human and physical features of both continents and the different climate zones that
	they are within
	Dance
Physical Education	Children focus on creating characters and narrative through movement and gesture.
	They gain inspiration from a range of stimuli, working individually, in pairs and small
	groups. In dance, children think about how to use movement to explore and
	communicate ideas and issues, and their own feelings and thoughts. Children will
	develop confidence in performing and will be given the opportunity to provide feedback
	and utilise feedback to improve their own work.
	Basketball Children will be an an and the restriction of the state of the
	Children will be encouraged to persevere when developing competencies in key skills
	and principles such as defending, attacking, throwing, catching and dribbling. They will
	learn to use attacking skills to maintain possession of the ball. They will start by playing
	uneven and then move onto even sided games. Children will understand the importance
	of playing fairly and to the rules. They will be encouraged to think about how to use
	skills, strategies and tactics to outwit the opposition as well as learn how to evaluate
	their own and others' performances.
Computing	Coding
	During this unit children will explore different object types in 2Code and how to use a
Computing	background and objects to create a scene. They will also be taught how to plan an
	algorithm for their scene and use 2Code to program it. Children will be taught how to
	use IF/ELSE variables in their programming and describe the effect.

DT	Structures Children will design a photograph frame for a specific person, they will learn how structures can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable. They will also be taught how to saw wood and apply braces to make their frame more stable. Children will also be given the opportunity to evaluate their design
French	 La date In this unit the children will learn how to: Repeat and recognise the months of the year in French. Ask when somebody has a birthday and say when they have their birthday. Say the date in French.
PHSE	Making Choices Children will be taught that there are drugs (other than medicines) that are common in everyday life, and why people choose to use them. They will learn about the effects and risks of drinking alcohol and smoking tobacco and the importance of taking only the prescribed amount of medication.
Curriculum Enrichment	Ukulele tuition – throughout the year, children will be taught how to play the ukulele and read musical notation.