

St. Laurence Catholic Primary Year 1/2 Curriculum Letter Spring term 2019

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Through God's grace, a community growing in knowledge and understanding

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In Religion children will be exploring the following topics:

Families and Celebrations

The Good News: The New Testament

Understanding Prayer

Giving: Change and Opportunities—Lent

The children will also participate in class and whole school prayers, meditation and school masses.

English

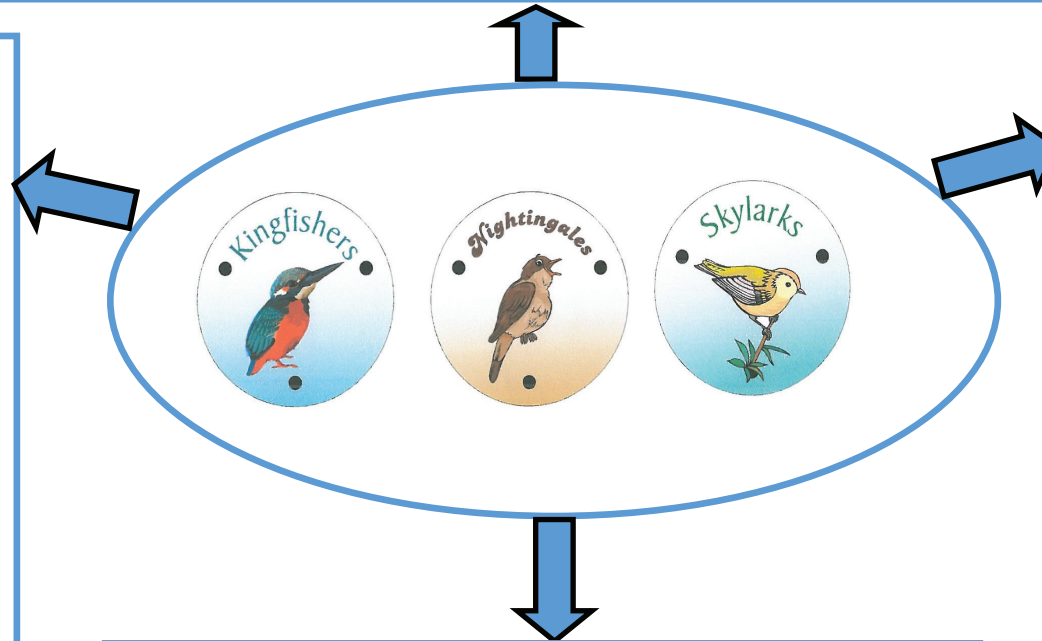
To link with our IPC topic – People of the Past – the children will research the lives of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole and write recounts of the significance of their lives. The children will then be exploring Traditional tales. They will be writing their own tales as well as writing instructions on how to catch an ogre and poems about dragons.

After half term the children will be using a story book about endangered animals to write their own narrative focusing on world conservation.

Grammar focus:

Learn how to use punctuation correctly, including capital letters, full stops, question and exclamation marks

Learn how to use sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation,



Maths

Children will continue to develop their knowledge through the maths mastery approach.

In Year 1 children will develop their oral, mental and written skills in:

- Addition and subtraction within 20
- Numbers to 50
- Length and Height/Weight and Volume

In Year 2 children will develop their oral, mental and written skills in:

- Multiplication and Division
- Statistics
- Length and height
- Properties of Shapes
- Fractions

All children will focus on each area of maths for an extended number of lessons allowing them to deepen their understanding.

PE—Children will participate in two PE sessions and will take part in Forest School activities.

Music— The children will learn to discriminate between higher and lower sounds and to create simple melodic patterns. They will also recognise different ways sounds are made and changed. They will name, how to play a variety of classroom instruments.

PHSE— Children will explore the topic of Conflict and Resolution and will also enjoy Circle Time activities where appropriate.

International Primary Curriculum Topic (IPC)

IPC is a whole school planning tool. It is a comprehensive, thematic, creative curriculum for 3-12 year olds, with a clear process of learning and with specific learning goals for every subject. The foundation subjects are taught through a main topic.

This term your child will be learning about the following topics:

People of the Past



Significant

Individuals

History: People of the Past: Significant People

In History, we'll be finding out:

- About the different decisions that rulers had to make in the past
- How to use a living graph to explore how a famous person might have been feeling
- About the life of a famous explorer using maps and role play
- How to compare the lives of two different explorers
- About the achievements of important scientists and inventors
- About what life was like at different times in the past

In Music, we'll be finding out:

- About the life and music by a famous composer
- How to use music to tell the story of our famous composer

In Art, we'll be finding out:

- What we can learn about a person from their portrait
- How to create a portrait of a friend
- About the work of famous artists
- How to paint a scene in the style of a famous artist

In International, we'll be finding out:

- About the idea of 'fairness' and what it means
- Why some people in the past wanted to make changes

What's it

Made of?



Science: What's It Made Of?

In Science, we'll be finding out:

- What objects are made of
- How we use different materials
- How to test materials
- How materials are the same or different

- How we can group materials
- How to choose materials for specific uses
- Where materials come from

In Technology, we'll be finding out:

- How to plan and design a classroom makeover

In International, we'll be finding out:

- About the materials used to build our homes

Our weekly class overview letters, available on the school website and via Parentmail, will provide more details of each week's learning. If you have any questions or queries please see your child's class teacher who is available at the beginning and end of each day or via the school office on 01223 712227 to book an appointment.