

St. Laurence Catholic Primary Year 1/2 Curriculum Letter Autumn 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:

Beginnings—God's Great Plan—The Creation Story

Signs and Symbols of Christianity

Families—God's Care and Love for every family

Advent—Mary Mother of God

Another world faith

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

English

Poetry

Children will read a range of different poems and will perform and learn some by heart. They will write their own poems about dinosaurs.

Non-fiction

Children will explore a range of non-fiction texts that link to their IPC topics. They will write instruction texts on defending and attacking castles, later in the term the children will write their own reports about a specific subject.

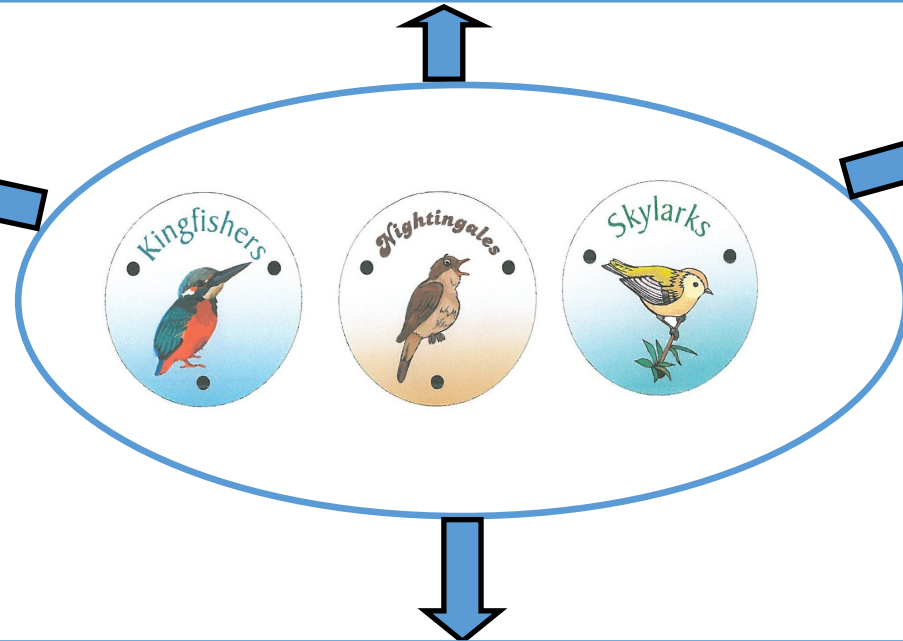
Narratives

Children will explore different texts which are written in a range of narrative styles, with imaginative illustrations to complement the writing. The children will write character and setting descriptions, and plan and write short narratives.

Grammar focus:

Learn how to use punctuation correctly, including capital letters and full stops. They will write sentences including the use of questions, statements, commands and exclamation marks. Learn how to use sentences with different forms.

The above units will support the children's development of phonics, word recognition, spelling, sentence structure, punctuation and vocabulary.



PE—Children will participate in a weekly dance or gymnastics lesson with their class teacher and Tennis lessons with the peripatetic sports coaches. They will also participate in Forest School activities each week.

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.

Art/DT— The children will use their Art/DT session each week to develop their understanding of their topic work. They will begin the year by creating Motte and Bailey style castles to develop their learning before their school trips to Cambridge Mound and Mount Fitchet Castle.

Maths

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

Counting, sequencing, estimating and ordering

Place value and properties of numbers

Number facts

Addition and subtraction

Geometry: describing and visualising common 2D and 3D shapes

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

Counting, sequencing, estimating and ordering

Place value and properties of numbers

Number facts

Addition and subtraction

Multiplication and Division

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

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 two topics:

Time Travellers



In History, we'll be finding out:

- How to create a timeline
- About events that are important to us
- How to use objects to find out more about an event
- About important events that happened in our local area
- How we can find out about an event by interviewing someone who was there
- How to use different sources to learn about a national event
- About events of global significance by asking and answering questions

In International, we'll be finding out:

- About different festivals from around the world
- How we can compare different festivals from around the world

We are what we eat



In Science, we'll be finding out:

- why we need to eat food and what the best foods are
- how some of our food grow
- how to carry out science investigations about our sense of taste

In Geography, we'll be finding out:

- where our food comes from,
- what food is eaten in our home and host country
- why different foods grow and are eaten in different countries. In History, we'll be finding out

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- about the food that our parents and grandparents ate when they were young,
- how and why the choice of food in our shops has changed
- what our ancient ancestors ate

In Art, we'll be finding out:

- about artists that use food for their ideas
- How to draw and paint fruit and vegetables
- how artists are involved in things we see around us

In Technology, we'll be finding out:

- how to plan, make and evaluate a healthy pizza
- how to make a box for a pizza

In Society, we'll be finding out :

- how food plays a role in celebrations and festivals
- about our favourite family recipes
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In International, we'll be finding out :

- what is the same and what is different between the lives and home countries of the different children in our class,
- about famine and drought around the world
- where drinking water comes from.

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.