

**St. Laurence Catholic Primary Year 1/2 Curriculum Letter Spring Term 2020**

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

**RE**

In Religion children will be exploring the following topics:

**Prayer**—children will explore the purpose of prayer

**Families**—children explore the love and care shown within their own families and God's family.

**The Chosen People** — Children have the opportunity to be aware that they are chosen and gifted by God and know that they can thank God for choosing them by helping others

**Giving**—Opportunities and Change during Lent

**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 insects.

**Non-fiction**

Children will explore a range of non-fiction texts that link to their IPC topics. They will write reports about rainforest animals.

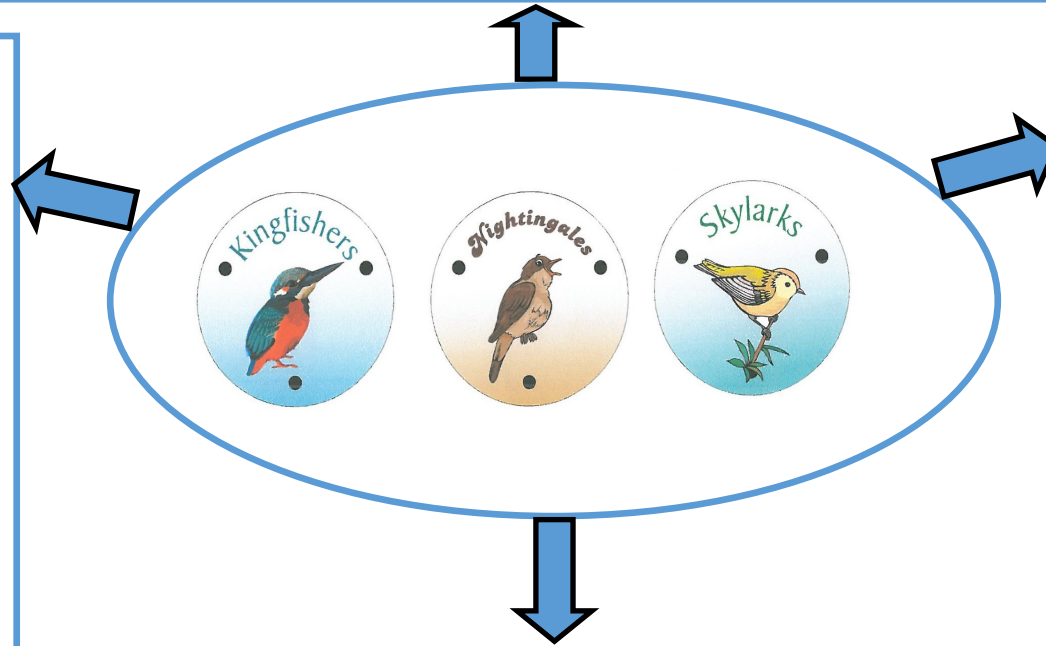
**Narratives**

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 based on stories with familiar settings.

**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.



**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

**PE**—Children will participate in a weekly indoor athletics lesson with their class teacher and multi skills lessons with the Sports coach from Just Do Sport. 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 RE and topic work. They will begin the term by creating their own rosaries to support their learning about the importance of prayer. Later in the term children will have further opportunities to develop their drawing skills through a series of lessons on portraits culminating in an art exhibition for parents.

## 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:

### Say Cheese



#### **In ICT & Computing we'll be finding out:**

- How to handle photographic equipment
- About techniques for taking successful photos
- About photography as a profession
- How to download save, edit and print out photos
- How to publish photos on the internet to share them with others

- About ways to stay safe online
- How to write and debug a simple computer program or algorithm

#### In International we'll be finding out:

- How the internet allows us to find out more about the lives of children in different countries and make comparisons with our own

### Our Home



#### **In Science, we'll be finding out:**

- About the plants and animals living in forests
- About different types of trees
- About plants and animals that live in other habitats
- How to sort living things into different groups
- What a micro-habitat is and what creatures live there
- How animals are adapted to their environment
- How living things depend on each other

#### In Technology, we'll be finding out:

- How to make a habitat and nesting box for bees

#### In International, we'll be finding out:

- About the loss of the world's forest habitats
- About Earth Day and how we can help our planet

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.