Gospel Values

The Gospel Values are at the heart of all we do and inspire our work

Humility, seeing life as a gift

Compassion, empathy

Kindness, gentleness

Justice, working for a fairer world

Forgiveness, reconciliation

Integrity, do what you say

Peace, committed to peace making, non violence

Courage, standing up for truth

RE

This half term we will be focussing on the feast of Pentecost. The children will know and understand that everyone has Good News to share and Pentecost is the celebration of the Good News of Jesus.



Characteristics Of Effective Learning

At St Mary's we want our children to be the best they can be, we encourage a love of learning through our Characteristics:

Go for it Gorilla: I will have a go

Editing Elephant: I can edit and improve my work

Creative Chameleon: I have my own ideas

Concentrating Crocodile: I join in and concentrate

Persevering Parrot: I keep trying

Proud Peacock: I am proud of what I do

PSED

This term we will be preparing ourselves for going into Year One. This includes taking on more difficult challenges and tasks independently. We will be trying to develop our confidence, enabling us to think about what we are good at and share our ideas when facing a new activity or challenge.





Communication And Language

Our topic this half term gives us lots of opportunities for expanding our vocabulary, we will be encouraged to share our knowledge with others and to formulate questions based on what we would like to find out. We will continue to work on our listening skills: waiting for our turn to speak and listening respectfully whilst others are talking.

Physical Development

Mr Knox will be teaching us Athletics skills in preparation for Sports Day. We will be learning how to start a race and how to use the running track. We will also practise different versions of the egg and spoon race.

Understanding Of The World

This half term we will be learning about what a plant needs to grow and thrive. We will be planting seeds and plants and watering our garden.

Exploring Art And Design

We will look at the work of Vincent Van Gogh, looking particularly at his Sunflowers paintings. We will think about what we like or dislike about Van Gogh's paintings and maybe we will be inspired to paint our own works of art!

Maths

This half term we will gain a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number. We will verbally count, recognising the pattern of the counting sustem and explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be distributed equally.





Literacy This term we will be really demonstrating the different literacy skills that we have learnt over the year. Our reading will become much more fluent and we will be using our phonic knowledge to help us read sentences. We will be recognising a range of tricky words now and we will be able to give an opinion about something we have read.