

## Music

Music this year will be taught through QLOL music service. This term, children will use rock music to help them learn about beats, written notation and they will begin to compose their own music.

## French

French this year will be taught by an outside provider. The focus areas of learning this term will be: all about travel and holidays.

## Art/DT

During the first half term we will look at artwork by Hundertwasser and his use of organic shapes.

After half term we will work on our DT skills by taking a closer look at bridges and forts and how to build structures that are stable and strong.



I hope you find this information to be useful. If you have any queries or problems, do not hesitate to contact me. I hope to see you in or around school soon.

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# Year 2 Curriculum Matters

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede: Advent Term 2022



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Miss Blandford- Class TA

## Welcome to Year 2!

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New School Year! I hope that you all had a wonderful Summer break and enjoyed spending the time with your children. I'm delighted to be teaching your child this year and look forward to working in partnership with you over this next academic year.

As always, if you have any concerns about your child, please feel free to contact or visit me; I'm always happy to help you. The best way to do this is through Class Dojo. If you haven't already signed up to this, I strongly advise that you do so as you'll also receive reminders and key messages from school.

In this Curriculum Matters booklet, you'll find a summary of the main areas of study this term, which I hope you will find useful. If you, or a family member or friend could help in anyway with our learning, do not hesitate to contact me.

### Homework

Homework will be given out on a Friday and is to be returned to school on the following Wednesday. Homework will consist of Maths and English, a weekly Spelling List, as well as Reading Journals. Please continue to hear your child read, if possible for 10 minutes a day. Thank you in advance for supporting your child with their homework. Spelling tests will take place on a Wednesday.



### RE

This term, our Come & See topics are:

- Beginnings, focusing on the opportunities new beginnings bring.
- Signs and symbols, looking further into baptism.
- Preparations, as we enter advent and prepare for the birth of Jesus Christ.

We will also spend a week looking at Judaism as part of our other faiths teaching.

### Maths

The following aspects of mathematics will be covered this term: place value; addition, and subtraction and money.

Within each unit, children will develop their Fluency, Reasoning and then Problem Solving skills as we endeavour to deepen children's mathematical understanding.

### English

In English we will focus on writing for enjoyment using the story of A house that once was; We will write to inform by producing a non-chronological report on the streets of Mansfield in the past. In Grammar will focus on correctly using the past tense accurately, the use of conjunctions to add extra information to a sentence as well as the four different types of sentences. Our punctuation focus will be on using a capital letter for proper nouns (as well as starting a sentence) using a comma between two adjectives and consistently using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces correctly throughout our writing.

### Computing

Our first unit is all about eSafety- understanding how to stay safe on the internet. We will then move on to look at coding.

### Science

In science, children will learn about the lifecycles of different animals. They will gain first hand experience of life cycles through observing butterflies grow from an egg. Our learning will then move on to look at humans and how to keep healthy.

After half term we will learn all about the different uses of materials.

### History

This half term, our topic is Street Detectives we will begin by exploring The Mansfield Heritage Trail. Our learning will then take us back to the early 1900's and the differences between now and then.

After Half Term, our topic will be Towers, Tunnels and Turrets. We will be exploring different human geographical features around the world, why and how they are built.

### PE

PE will be on a Monday and Tuesday this term so your child will need to come dressed in their PE kit on these days. Please see our website for further information about our school PE kit..

