RE

In RE we will be completing a unit all about 'Prayer'. We will be learning about some of the reasons why Christians pray and different styles of prayer. We will be writing our own prayers and learning the 'Our Father' and 'Hail Mary'. We will be using signing as a way to help us remember these Prayers.

Our Values and Virtues for this half term are 'Faith-filled and Hopeful'.

We will be attending Whole School Mass on Thursday 29th June (Feast of St Peter and St Paul) and Friday 21st July (Leavers Mass) and will be leading a 'Moving on Service' in school on Thursday 13th July at 10.45.

Communication and Language

We will be developing the skills of listening to instructions and making sure that we ask for clarification if necessary. We will be aiming for a longer amount of sustained concentration so that we can follow stories without pictures or props.

We will make sure that when we listen to stories we can express views about characters or events. We will be trying to ask questions about why things happened in the story.

When communicating we will be trying to show awareness of our listener by making changes to the language we use. We will be trying to use new vocabulary in a range of ways to add information, express ideas or justify our actions.

Personal, Social and Emotional

We will be making sure that we know ways to manage our feelings. We will be making sure we can listen to each other and that we can understand someone else's point of view.

We will be talking about bullying and ensuring we know that it is unacceptable behaviour.

We will make sure we can talk about things we enjoy, are good at and things which we don't find easy. We will make sure we know what to do if we need help.

Literacy

We will make sure that we can read phonetically regular words and will be starting to read some words with more than one syllable. We will be using a range of skills to work out what unknown words say. We will be continuing to read out irregular words and to learn our new digraphs and trigraphs. We will ensure that we can talk to others about what we have read.

We will be trying to spell regular words and irregular words. We will be ensuring that our sentences can be read by ourselves and others and that we can use the key features of narrative in our own writing.

We will be exploring and discussing a range of books based around our water topic. These include 'Rainbow Fish', 'Flotsam' 'Octopus' garden' and 'Pirate Pete'.

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Mathematics

We will be ensuring that we can say our numbers up to 20 forwards and backwards. We will be using these skills to solve addition and subtraction problems.

We will be starting to count in groups of 2s, 5s and 10s and using these skills to solve problems with our pirate treasure.

We will be completing work on sharing to ensure that we are starting to understand the concepts of halves and quarters.

We will make sure that we can use our previous knowledge of size, weight, length, height, shape and position to solve problems. We will be explaining how we solve these problems using our mathematical vocabulary.

Understanding the World

We will be talking about the differences between our lives and those in the past by using the book 'Flotsam'. We will be ensuring we know the difference between past and present.

We will ensure we know other children have different likes and dislikes and that some people have different beliefs, attitudes and customs. We will be talking about the importance of respect.

We will be thinking about how we influence our local environment. We will be looking at the properties of different materials and make sure we are familiar with the concept of floating and sinking.

Physical Development

We will be practising for the 'Catholic Schools Dance Festival' and our 'KS1 Sports Day' (details to follow).

We will be trying to learn how to hop and skip in time to music, as well as using a range of equipment with control.

In our fine motor lessons we will try to sit our letters on the line and concentrate on the size of different letters. We will also be trying to do up our own buttons and laces if we have them.

Our PE session is on a Wednesday.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be learning how to develop our own ideas by selecting and using materials. We will encourage children to explore the available media and materials and then make decisions about how they can be combined and changed.

We will be trying to talk about the features of our own and others work, recognising the differences between them and the strengths of others.

We will also be learning new songs for our 'Moving on Service on 13th July' and a dance for the 'Catholic School's Dance Festival on 28th June'.