



St Mary and St Peter Catholic Primary School

Set Sail for Success



Nursery Class Letter Autumn 1 2019

Things your child will be learning in the next few weeks

Initially the children's learning will be focused around the text 'Harry and the dinosaurs go to school' by Ian Whybrow. We will be introducing the children to the daily routine and what is expected. We will be encouraging and supporting the children to become independent through putting on their own coats/aprons, tidying up the resources after they have finished with them as well as using the toilet and washing their hands by themselves.

Following this we will be focusing on the topic of 'Seasons'. We will be sharing the texts 'Seasons' by Claire Llewellyn and 'Guess How Much I Love You in the Autumn' by Sam McBratney. The children will go on a walk around the school grounds looking for signs of seasonal changes. Cameras and iPads will be used by the children to capture images of what they discover. The children will devise their own autumn pictures and use spoken language to talk about their creations, as well as using autumn objects to develop their counting skills.

Things you could explore at home to help your child's learning

To help your child to settle into school please encourage your child to use the toilet and wash their hands independently. Teach your child how to dress themselves including fastening their own shoes and coats.

To support your child's learning at home go on an autumn walk together and chat about what you see. Create a collection of objects to use as learning opportunities e.g. make some leaf rubbings with wax crayons or develop your child's counting skills using acorns or conkers. The children are invited to bring in actual items that they find on their walks or photos of their learning to share with their peers.

Share the text 'Guess How Much I Love You in the Autumn' by Sam McBratney available from the library or on YouTube, talk about the Characters in the story and discuss what happens in the text.

Have a look at this website to learn a song about seasons.

<http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/songs/the-leaves-the-trees>

Things happening in school

European Languages Day 26th September

Each class in school will be learning about a different country for European languages day. Nursery children will be learning about France and will get to try some French food. The children will be making French flags and are invited to attend wearing red white and blue clothing on this day.

Monday 7th October 10.30am – 11.30am – Nursery Story Café – see posters in nursery cloakroom for details.

Please take note of these points

The children will be visiting the school library every Monday. Please ensure that your child brings their library book on this day so that they can choose a new one.

Miss L Cooper

Nursery Class Teacher