

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Welcome to Reception class!

I hope everyone had a lovely Christmas and Happy New Year! Again, let me say an enormous 'thank you' for all the kind presents and cards the Reception team and I received at the end of term. You were so very generous, thank you very much. I hope you enjoyed watching your child's nativity play. The children did a fantastic job and worked amazingly as a team! Please ensure everything is clearly labelled with your child's name (including jumpers/cardigans, polo shirts, skirts, trousers, coats, back packs, book bags, lunch boxes and water bottles).

All children need to bring in their book bags and reading records to school every day.

PE will start in the summer term. More information nearer to the time will be given.

If you have any queries or concerns about anything at all, please do not hesitate to come and see myself, Miss Rhodes, Mrs Gilbert or Mrs Ajmal.

Thank you for all your support,
Mrs Iqbal

What are we learning about?

We have another exciting term ahead of us. Our topic for the Spring term is Superheroes.

R.E: Christmas, Baptism and Lent.

Literacy: continue to practice writing their names, letter formation, captions, write short sentences using their phonics knowledge.

Numeracy: To recall number bonds to 5, repeated patterns, name 2d and 3d shapes and its properties, and number rhymes.

Phonics: Initial sounds, Fred talk, oral blending of VC and CVC words and learning to read red words when the children are ready.

Special days / Dates

Friday 18th February – Break up for half term. Last day in school.

Monday 28th February – School re-opens

Friday 8th April – End of term. School closes for Easter.

Friday 29th April – Reception class Saint Feast Day to celebrate St George. Children will be able to wear own clothes to school in celebration.

Every Friday – the children will take part in the DPA musical session.

Every Friday – Homework to given out and handed back in every Wednesday.

Values for Spring Term:

Curious and Active until half term

CURIOUS: about the world and what we can do to make it a better place for everyone. ACTIVE: in our school, community, parish & home life to actively make a difference.

Intentional and Prophetic after half term

INTENTIONAL: making a conscious decision to treat other people and our world in the thoughtful, kind and dignified way the Church teaches us to – this is our INTENTION. PROPHETIC: By living in the way the Church teaches – we are prophetic through setting a positive example of our faith life to others – we become like a PROPHET who can set a good example of how to live in Christ.

A God who Speaks

The vision of the Archdiocese of Birmingham is to encourage us to reengage with scripture.

Spring Term 1 focus scripture:

"Here is the light you will reveal to the nations"
Luke 2:32

Spring Term 2 focus scripture:

"I am the handmaid of the Lord, let it be done to me as you have said"
Luke 1:38