

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Part of St John Bosco Catholic Academy Company

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Welcome to Year 4! We hope that this will be a learning journey that your child will never forget and one which will prepare each of our children for the adventures of upper KS2. You can help your child along that path by hearing them read 10 minutes a day and helping them to learn their spellings, x tables and complete homework.

PE kits need to stay in school all half-term. So, if you haven't yet, please send in a PE kit with your child as soon as possible.

As always, if there are any queries about anything, please do not hesitate to come and see myself or Mrs Parker. We are always pleased to help in any way possible.

Warm regards,
Mrs C. Hickman

What are we learning about?

- RE – Creation, Old Testament from Jacob to Joseph.
- English – Creatures Great and Small (Poetry)
- Maths – Place value; addition and subtraction of numbers up to 1000 multiplication by partitioning.
- Geography – All around the world (Countries and Continents)
- History – Ancient Civilisations
- Art – Buildings and Architecture
- Science – Natural Environment

Special days / Dates:

Learning Djembe Drumming
Class Assembly Fri 11th October
Class Mass Tues 24th Sept
SPARKS visit from the Fire Brigade to teach fire safety.

The class charity we have chosen to support



Values for Autumn Term:

Curious and Active– before half term

Curious: Curious about the life of Jesus and finding out more about his life and teachings.

Active: Putting our faith into actions – actions speak louder than words!

Intentional and Prophetic- after half term

Intentional: Being intentional with our words and actions – making good choices.

Prophetic: Speaking clearly treating others the way Jesus showed us.

Children as leaders

In Year 4 class the children have the opportunity to be:

Creation Guardians, on the School Council, a Mini Vinnie, part of the School Mission team and prayer leaders.

St Joseph's Way – See our website for more details

At St. Joseph's we develop children's character through the 'St. Joseph's Way' curriculum. In order to build character, we define the behaviours and habits that we expect students to demonstrate. We want to support our pupils to grow into adults who are polite, respectful, grateful and who put others before themselves. We believe that, as pupils practise these behaviours over time, they become habits that positively shape how they feel about themselves and how other people perceive them. As philosopher Will Durant states, "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit." (1926)

Catholic Social Teaching & British values

Throughout the curriculum and beyond children learn about the 7 principles of Catholic Social Teaching - Working in Solidarity, Care for Creation, Community & Participation, Dignity of Workers, Help for the Poor & Vulnerable, Human Dignity & Solidarity and how they link to British Values – Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Respect & Tolerance.

