



# ST JOHN'S C of E INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Dear Year 1 Parents/Carers,

## Topic

Many of our subjects over the course of the Autumn term will be focused on our two key topics. Our topics for this term are 'Local Area' and 'Space'.

## Curriculum

Subject	Area of learning
RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Who made the World?</li> <li>Why does Christmas matter to Christians?</li> </ul>
English	<p>Some of our writing will be based on the books: Farmer Duck, Beegu, Little People Big Dreams - Mae Jemison and Look Up!</p> <p>We will be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter formation</li> <li>Spaces between words</li> <li>Capital Letter at the start of a sentence and full stop at the end of a sentence. Using Green for the capital letter and red for the full stop. E.g I went to the park.</li> <li>Using adjectives to describe a noun. E.g. The sheep was <u>dirty</u>.</li> <li>Applying phase 3 phonics to their spelling.</li> </ul>
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Geometry: positional language including ordinal numbers. E.g. next to, below, above, first, second, third</li> </ul> <p>We will be working with numbers 1-10:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finding patterns in numbers (including subitising) E.g. making 5 in different ways.</li> <li>Counting and comparison (more, less, fewer)</li> <li>Estimating and ordering</li> <li>Regrouping the whole. E.g. 2 and 6 make 8, 5 and 3 make 8.</li> <li>Addition and subtraction</li> <li>Solving problems using addition and subtraction.</li> <li>Comparing numbers.</li> <li>Equality and balance. E.g. 4 is the same as 3 and 1.</li> </ul> <p>We will be working with numbers 1-20:</p>





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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making '10 and some more'. E.g. 15 is 10 and 5 more.</li> <li>• Estimating and ordering, 1 more and 1 less</li> <li>• Doubling and halving</li> <li>• Odd and even numbers</li> </ul>
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Animals including humans.</li> <li>• Mammals, birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians.</li> <li>• Carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.</li> <li>• Parts of the human body and senses.</li> <li>• Seasons of the year</li> </ul>
Computing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learning to log in and use a keyboard</li> <li>• Let's create – creating text, images and sound.</li> </ul>
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learning rhythms and pulse.</li> <li>• Identifying pitch (high and low sounds).</li> <li>• Performance</li> </ul>
Art	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art – Painting focus (colour mixing)</li> <li>• D&amp;T- moving parts. E.g. wheels on a car.</li> </ul>
Humanities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geography - Where we live, towns and villages near us, our addresses, creating simple maps, comparing places and finding British Isles.</li> <li>• History – The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements such as Neil Armstrong and Mae Jemison.</li> </ul>
PSHE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Being me in my world.</li> <li>• Celebrating difference.</li> <li>• School values are Love and Peace</li> </ul>
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sport with coaches from Watford FC</li> <li>• Sport with coaches from Elms</li> </ul>

Attached is the phonics sound mat, that includes all the sounds the children will learn by the end of Year 1. The children use this sound mat in class to support their learning.

Please note for those parents who were unable to attend the 'Meet the Teacher' meeting, the PowerPoint presentation will be uploaded to the school's website.

Any questions please see us at the end of the day.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Kutner and Miss Hyde

