



OUR CURRICULUM AT HOLY GHOST

A simple guide to what your child will learn

Year Group: 4

Term: Autumn 1

Teacher: Miss Haywood

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please see below our curriculum for Autumn 1 term.

ENGLISH

Topic: The Rhythm of the Rain by Grahame Baker-Smith

What we will be learning:

Children will use *Rhythm of the Rain* as inspiration to develop their reading and write personal narratives, persuasive speeches and explanatory texts.

Key knowledge and skills:

- Exploring vocabulary and its effects
- Identifying features of different text types
- Organising ideas clearly and effectively
- Using appropriate grammar and punctuation
- Editing and improving our writing.

MATHEMATICS

Topic: Addition and subtraction and numbers to 10,000

What we will be learning:

Children will develop their understanding of place value to 10,000 and use efficient methods to solve addition and subtraction problems.

Key knowledge and Skills:

- Using formal addition and subtraction methods
- Solving reasoning and word problems
- Reading and representing numbers to 10,000
- Partitioning, comparing and ordering numbers to 10,000

SCIENCE

Topic: Living things and their habitat

What we will be learning:

Children will learn how living things can be grouped and classified and explore how changes to habitats can affect the organisms living there.

Key knowledge and skills:

- Grouping living things in different ways
- Identifying similarities and differences between living things
- Using and creating classification keys

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Topic: Creation and Covenant

What we will be learning:

Children will explore the themes of Creation and Covenant and consider what biblical stories teach Christians about God, humanity and the world.

Key knowledge and skills:

- Understanding the meaning of covenant
- Exploring God's promises to his people
- Making connections between different biblical stories
- Using key religious vocabulary

Exploring different habitats and animal adaptations	
HISTORY Enquiry Question: What impact did the Romans have on Great Britain? What we will be learning: Children will investigate the Roman invasion of Britain and explore the impact and lasting legacy of Roman rule. Key knowledge - Placing Roman Britain chronologically on a time line - understanding why the Romans invaded Britain - Exploring life in Roman Britain - Identifying the Roman legacy today Key Skills - Using timelines accurately - Using historical sources as evidence - Identifying causes and consequences	ART & DESIGN Artist/Topic: Exploring Drawing What we will be learning: Children will explore a range of drawing materials and techniques to develop their observational skills and create different visual effects. Key knowledge - Exploring line, shape, tone and texture - Understanding different drawing techniques - Recognising the effects of different materials Key Skills - Experimenting with drawing materials - Recording ideas - Evaluating and developing artwork
PHYSICAL EDUCATION Activities: Tag Rugby and Basketball - Developing accurate passing and receiving - Moving effectively into space - Applying skills in game situations - Demonstrating teamwork and fair play	COMPUTING Topic: The Internet - Understanding what the internet is - Exploring how networks are connected - Understanding the World Wide Web - Recognising how online content is created - Using the internet safely and responsibly
RSE Topic: Created and Loved by God - Understanding that we are created in God's image - Recognising that everyone is unique and has a purpose - Understanding the importance and value of everyday human life	MUSIC Topic: Trumpets - Holding and handling the trumpet correctly - Producing clear and controlled sounds - Playing simple notes and rhythms

French

Topic: Greetings and Introducing ourselves

- Using common French greetings
- Introducing ourselves in French
- Asking and answering simple questions
- Expressing different feelings

Year 4 Events this Term

- Wednesday 23rd September - Sibling/individual photos
- Friday 25th September – Whole School Mass
- Tuesday 13th October - London Zoo Trip
- Tuesday 20th October – Class Mass

HOW YOU CAN HELP AT HOME

Please encourage your child to read regularly, practise their times tables and spellings and complete homework carefully and independently. Children should be writing in pen for their homework and take pride in presenting their work neatly.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Kind regards,
Miss Haywood**