



Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Curriculum Newsletter Year 2 Autumn Term 1

Come and See: In the topic Beginnings the children will be learning 'Who made the world and everything in it?' They will know and understand the many beginnings each day offers and that God is present in every beginning. Children will look at scripture related to creation and will write their own prayers and litany related to the topic of Beginnings. The next topic Signs and Symbols the children will discuss 'Are signs and symbols important?' They will know and understand that they belong to God's family at home, at school and in the church family. The children will also know and understand the signs and symbols of Baptism.

English: In English this term our focus texts will be based on the Lonely Beast series of books. The children will learn about how to sequence stories and make storyboards, write character profiles and write letters to the characters in the stories. They will have the opportunity for role play and drama linked to the stories. Their focus for grammar will be different sentence types, statement, command, question and exclamation. They will look at word classes such as nouns, adjectives and verbs. When writing children will be encouraged to use a full stop, capital letter and question mark accurately. Spelling this term will focus on learning to spell all common exception words for year 1 and 2. Handwriting will focus on the correct size and shape of letters and spacing of words correctly. The children will continue with their guided reading sessions using the Read, Write, Inc. texts as well as reading a range of books from our school library. The focus for reading this term is to build up fluency and automatic recall of words when reading. The children will also be expected to be reading lots of different texts outside of school.

Maths: In Singapore maths lessons, children will learn to read, write and order numbers to 100 and develop their understanding of place value using the terms tens and ones. They will compare numbers starting to use the symbols $<$ $>$ $=$ and learn to write the number names. The children will be learning how to count in steps of 2, 5 and 10. In their calculations work they will be learning about how to add and subtract using written methods as well as solve calculations mentally using their knowledge of tens and ones. They will need to learn their number bonds to 10 and 20 for quick mental recall.

