

YEAR ONE

Autumn 2026



Welcome to year 1! We hope that you have had a wonderful summer break and are ready for a term full of learning and fun at St. Joseph's!

Good to know...

Teachers

Mrs Buckley and Miss White are the year 1 class teacher.

Mrs Scaife, Mrs Gilbert Spencer and Mrs Offeyi will support in year 1.

Mrs Cliffe will continue to teach the children music for an half an hour each week.

PE Kit

For the first half-term, our PE lessons will be on Tuesday and Wednesdays. Please remove earrings at home on PE days.

When do we need to bring things to school?

Fluency and Spellings homework books

- Sent out Friday. Need to come into school on a Wednesday.

Reading logs - everyday. Children read all throughout the week in different adults in year 1.

Phonics packs - everyday. These packs will support your child's learning at school as well as home and will be updated weekly with new sounds.

Snacks and Water Bottles

Fruit is provided at break time in KS1. Children can bring an additional healthy snack if they wish and a clearly named water bottle every day.



English

Our focus text for the term are:

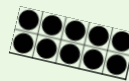
- Tabby McTat by Julia Donaldson



We will be practicing our letter formation and building simple sentences. We will create label pictures, write lists and describe characters using interesting words.

Maths

We will be learning all about numbers 1 to 10, adding and taking away. We will also be learning about different 2D and 3D shapes.



RE



Year 1 will begin thinking about the world God has created.

Branch One - Creation and Covenant

Branch Two - Prophecy and Promise.

Other Subjects

History

We will be learning all about old and new toys.



Geography



Our work will explore our local area and learn about our address.

PE

We will be improving our throwing and catching skills.



Computing



We will be learning about online safety and exploring Purple Mash.

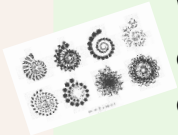
Science

Year 1 will be learning about ourselves, our senses and the different animals around us.



Art

We will be using oil pastels to create different spiral drawings based on shells and circles.



Design and Technology

We will be learning about different buildings and structures around us.



Music

We will be exploring different sounds that we make with our bodies and instruments.



Phonics

Year 1 will be recapping Phase 3 sounds.



PSHE

We will be celebrating what makes us all unique.



How can I support my child at home?

Homework

Reading – please listen to your child to read their book at home everyday and write a comment in their reading log.

Fluency – the children will have fluency homework with 5 questions on to complete each week. Fluency homework should take no time at all to complete and focuses on the children's understanding of number.

Spelling – practise the weekly spelling words with your child in a range of different ways.

Phonics packs – Phonics packs are updated weekly to match the sounds your child has learnt. Please encourage your child to identify each sound in the pack daily and practice the tricky words throughout the week too!

Children will also have a Bug Club log in to play different phonics games and re-watch the phonics videos from class.

RE Homework Projects – Once per half-term, there will be a creative RE homework project to complete with your child.

Catholic Life

Encourage your child to spend time in prayer and reflection at home. Attend Sunday Mass with them whenever possible.



Educational Visits

- Brampton Toy Museum
- A Local area walk

Letters will be sent out via Arbor