

RG Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 1 2024



Mrs K Gell

Welcome to RG

Hello I am Mrs Gell and this year I will be working alongside Miss Fazel, Mrs Patel and Miss Dalvi. We are really pleased you have chosen St. James' School and we are impressed with how quickly your child has settled into school life. If you have any worries, concerns or questions please come and talk to us.

Don't Forget:

PE will take place each Friday, please ensure your child comes to school ready in their PE kit. If your child wears earrings studs only please. These need to be removed for PE or covered up at home. Please name label all of your child's clothing and book bags. Please remember to bring your child's book bag every single day.

Communication & Language

This half term we will be encouraging your child to speak to familiar adults and children in school. We want children to express their needs and ideas in simple sentences. We will also be encouraging your child to listen attentively for short periods of time, such as story time. We expect children to be able to follow simple instructions such as hanging up belongings, getting and putting equipment away.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will learn routines of the classroom and the school. The children will be making new friends and learning how to be kind and share with their friends. They will be expected to use the toilet on their own, put their coat on and independently zip up their own coats.

R.E.

Our topics are 'I am Special' and 'Harvest'. The children will be learning about what makes them special. We will be encouraging the children to talk about how they are unique and who is special to them. The children will be learning about Harvest and will be listening to different stories from the Bible.

Physical Development

This half term we will be working on spatial awareness, exploring how we move in the spaces around us. The children will be exploring changes to our bodies during exercise. They will be learning to use pencils, scissors, tweezers and other small equipment correctly and safely.

Literacy

The children will be listening to different 'Bear' stories and will learn to retell familiar stories using role play. They will also be learning to recognise and write their name and begin to form letters correctly.

They will be looking at books and will learn to handle them carefully and talk about the pictures.

Mathematics

The children will be joining in with number rhymes, counting forwards and backwards up to 10.

The children will learn to solve a range of jigsaws and copy pictures and patterns.

They will be learning the days of the week and the months of the year.

Understanding the World

The children will have lots of opportunities to talk about their families, who they live with and who is special to them. The children will learn about the place they live, their town and their country. The children will also be learning about the different seasons focusing on the season Autumn.

Expressive Arts & Design

The children will be selecting particular colours to paint and different materials to create pictures of themselves. The children will be creating artwork using a glue stick and scissors. The children will be encouraged to use their imagination in the role play areas.