



November 2020.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please find below an overview of learning in this half term, leading up to Christmas.

Year 1	
Core text(s) for English	'Pumpkin Soup' by Helen Cooper The Nativity
Focus areas for English/outcomes	Writing in role as a character. Letter writing. Retell the story in 1st person. Writing a senses poem.
Grammar focus	Handwriting Punctuation First person narrative Adverbs
Maths focus areas	<b>Number and place value within 20.</b> <b>Geometry</b> - Properties of shape <b>Statistics</b> - Sorting objects, interpreting data. <b>Addition and subtraction within 20.</b>
RE focus	<b>Belonging</b> - What does it mean to belong? <b>Waiting</b> - Is waiting always difficult? <b>Christianity</b> - The Nativity
'Faith In Action'	We will be raising money for Missions together, Missio, by collecting spare change in a small red box which will be sent home soon. We continue to focus on charity at the heart of our faith throughout the year.
Foundation subject topics - geography, science, computing, Music, RE and PSHE	<b>Geography:</b> Our local environment and where we live. <b>Science:</b> Objects and properties <b>PSHE:</b> Relationships, Health and Wellbeing <b>Music:</b> Christmas Carols <b>Computing:</b> Debugging and algorithms <b>Art and DT:</b> mark making, sculptures, designing products from recycled material.
Supplementary texts	'The Snowman' by Michael Morpurgo 'The Jolly Postman' 'Jolly Christmas Postman' by Allan Ahlberg 'One Winter's Day' by Christina M Butler 'Robin's Winter Song' by Suzanne Barton



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<p>PE days (and kit expectations)</p>	<p><b>Monday and Tuesday</b> Please wear black jogging bottoms/leggings, a white round neck t-shirt and trainers or plimsolls. Please also make sure to wear your school jumper over the top of your PE kit.</p>
<p>Any key dates i.e special events</p>	<p><b>Christmas Card Project:</b> We have also taken part in the Cauliflower Christmas Card project this year to raise funds for the school. Your child has created a Christmas design which can be developed into various products such as mugs, cards, gift wrapping and purchased by yourselves. You will receive a letter regarding this soon.</p>
<p>Ways to help at home</p>	<p>Please ensure you are reading with your child at home regularly. Your child will receive a Reading Record in their book bag whereby you can log any texts that you have enjoyed at home.</p> <p>Each pupil has access to Google Classroom whereby work and activities will be assigned weekly for additional support/learning at home.</p> <p>Activities that you could recreate at home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Counting with household objects; pasta, rice grains, socks, recycling.</li> <li>• Fine motor playdough games: challenge your child to make a sculpture or object, can you create a word with playdough?</li> <li>• Conversations about the community and your local surroundings whilst out walking or in the shops.</li> </ul>
<p>Additional information</p>	<p>Thank you for continuing to support your child with their learning. If you would like to discuss anything further or have any queries regarding your child's learning, please do contact me using the class email below or the school support email.</p> <p><b>Year 1:</b> <a href="mailto:year1@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk">year1@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk</a></p> <p><b>School Support:</b> <a href="mailto:support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk">support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk</a></p>
<p>Year 1 Team</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Miss Kavanagh</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Ms Hamilton</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Mrs Lawlor</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Ms Ovenell</p> </div> </div>	

Yours faithfully,

Miss Kavanagh  
Year 1 Class Teacher