St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Half Termly Learning overview: **Autumn 2** Class: **Samson Class**

This is a summary of the learning and taking place for the half term beginning:

2nd November 2026

Not every subject listed is taught every week.

Subject		**Learning**
English	**Reading**	We will be working on a range of comprehension skills throughout the half term, such as retrieval, inference, word meaning and linking concepts. We will be reading texts linked to other areas of the curriculum. We will also have a class book Holes by Louis Sacher.
	Writing inc spellings	**Narrative (Focus : openings and endings) – Clock Close** • Understanding which features are found in a story with suspense • Understanding Portal stories. • Changing the openings and endings. • Writing our own suspense story **Recount/Discussion text** • Understanding which features are found in both discussion and recount
Maths		**Number –Fractions** • Equivalent fractions • Simplify fractions • Add and subtract fractions • Multiply and divide fractions • Improper and mixed fractions **Measurement-converting units** • Convert metric measures • Calculate metric measures • Miles and kilometres • Imperial measures
Religious Education		**Branch 2 – Prophecy and promise** The importance of women in salvation history (Sarah, Miriam, Esther, Deborah, Hannah). Mary – the fulfilment of the OT promises. The Infancy narratives in Matthew and Luke. The Magnificat. Examples of women today who are responding to God's call. (Gen 1, Ex 1, Jud. 4, 1 Sam. 1, Est 2- 5, 7, 8, Lk 1)

Science	**Keeping Healthy** We will be learning about: • Legal and Illegal drugs • Impact of smoking • Impact of drugs • Monitoring and improving lifestyle choices • Evidence of health lifestyle and communicating this
History	**Physical processes – earthquakes, mountains and volcanoes** We will be learning about: • Structures of the Earth • Tetonic plates – how do they move and what happens when they meet? • What causes earthquakes and what effect they have. • How mountains are formed. • How volcanoes work.
PSHE	We will be learning: • To be Ready, Respectful and Safe in class and around the school. • Remembrance • Anti-Bullying • Discussing right for children
Primary Languages- French (KS2 only)	**Free Time;** Immediate future Opinions Time phrases Negatives
Art & Design inc Design Technology	**Craft and design; Textile ornaments.** • Exploring different textiles • Designing a Christmas ornament • Developing sewing skills
Music	We will be using Sing Up to learn about - **Pink Panther** • Exploring *The Pink Panther theme* and creating sound effects. • Composing new sound effect sequences for the Pink Panther. • Composing a short storyboard of events and the accompanying **Composing with colour** • Listen to colour – sound becomes colour. • Rothko – colour becomes sound. • Kandinsky – shapes become music.

Computing	**Creating media-web page creation;** We will be learning; • What makes a good website • Becoming a web designer • Copyright or copyWRONG? • How does it look • Considerations of linking content
PE	**Outdoor: Basketball** • Dribbling(stationery and moving) • Passing • Footwork and pivoting • Keeping possession • Smart marking **Indoor: Dance**