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(To know you more clearly)

In this unit, children will explore the Creation stories in Genesis and learn how they use symbolism to explain the relationship between God, human beings and the world.

They will reflect on how the first account of Creation shows that one day is made holy (Genesis 2:3).

Children will also learn that the Church teaches creation is the shared work of the Holy Trinity and consider what this means for how we live today.

Tulip Class (Y3) Curriculum overview Autumn 1 2025

 **St. Finbar's**
Catholic Primary School

Science

Plants

In this unit, children will learn to identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants. They will explore what plants need for life and growth and investigate how water is transported within them.

Children will also study the role of flowers in the life-cycle of a plant, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.

English

Reading: Develop skills of inference and deduction across a variety of texts. The class reader is *"The Iron Man"* (Ted Hughes)

Writing: Approach Threat Narrative, Explanation text and Performance Poetry

Grammar & Spelling: Beginning to understand different word classes and advanced punctuation including ; and ()

Maths

Number: read, write, order and compare numbers up to 1000 and determine the value of each digit. Rounding numbers and decimals.

Data: sorting and classifying information

Reasoning: Use the four operations (+/- x/) to solve one step problems progressing to two steps

History

Ancient Egypt

In this unit, children will explore the earliest civilisations with a focus on Ancient Egypt. They will learn when and where this civilisation began and why the River Nile was so important to its growth. Children will study Egyptian society, religion and daily life, as well as the achievements of the Ancient Egyptians in farming, writing, architecture and art.

PE

Gymnastics

In this unit, children will develop their gymnastics skills by learning to perform movements that are clear, accurate and consistent. They will practise combining six key gymnastic shapes through rolls, balances and jumps, creating their own short sequences. Children will also build confidence in preparing and performing their work to an audience.

Music

Cornets

In this unit, children will learn to play and perform on cornets both individually and as part of an ensemble. They will develop accuracy, fluency, control and expression in their playing while also building confidence in performance. Children will listen carefully to music, developing their aural memory and ability to recall and respond to sounds in greater detail.

Spanish

Self, Family and Friends - Descriptions

In this unit, children will begin to learn how to hold simple conversations when meeting people and practise naming places and objects.

They will be introduced to asking and answering basic questions and learn how to respond to simple commands.

Computing

My Online Life

In this unit, children will learn how to use online services safely and responsibly. They will develop their understanding of the risks and challenges of being online and explore strategies to help them stay safe.

The unit takes a holistic approach, encouraging children to reflect on all aspects of their online lives and make positive, informed choices.

Art/DT

Drawing

In this unit, children will use sketchbooks to record their observations and develop their ideas over time. They will build confidence in reviewing and refining their work as they experiment with different techniques. Children will also improve their mastery of art and design through drawing, painting and sculpture using a range of materials.

Geography

Rivers

In this unit, children will learn about key aspects of physical geography by studying rivers and the water cycle.

They will focus in depth on the River Indus, exploring its features and importance.

Children will also investigate how the River Indus has changed over time and the impact this has had on people and places.

PSHE & RSE

Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing

In this unit, children will learn strategies to support their mental health and emotional wellbeing.

They will explore ways to recognise and talk about their feelings and develop resilience when facing challenges.

Children to build positive relationships and healthy habits that help them to feel confident and supported.

Events & celebrations

Thursday 25th September – St. Finbar's Feast Day

Thursday 9th October – Photographer in school

Friday 24th October – INSET day – school closed to children

Family Learning

Spellings
Times Table Rock stars
Reading Plus

