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Branch 6: Dialogue & Encounter

Children will:

- Learn how Christians work with other faiths and people of goodwill for the common good
- Continue exploring similarities and shared values with other faiths
- Explore practical ways to encounter other faiths respectfully to live in harmony.

Orchid Class (Y4) Curriculum overview

Summer 2 2026

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

Science

History of Science

Children will:

- Explore key milestones and discoveries that have shaped the field of science over time.
- Learn about famous scientists and their contributions, such as Galileo and Curie, and how their work changed the way we understand the world.
- Learn how scientific knowledge has evolved, how experiments are conducted, and the importance of curiosity and problem-solving in science.

English

Reading: Our class reader will be *The Sandman* and *The Turtles* by Michael Morpurgo

Writing: Using the text 'Leon and the place between' the children will be writing a portal narrative and a persuasive magic show report.

Grammar & Spelling:

The children will focus on expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials in their narrative and diary writing. They will also work on using the possessive apostrophe.

Maths

Children will:

- Explore key concepts in Statistics and Geometry.
- learn to collect, interpret, and represent data using charts such as bar charts and line graphs, analysing trends and making inferences from the data
- Focus on position and direction, learning to use coordinates to plot points, follow and give directions, and describe movements using terms like "left," "right," and "up" or "down."

History

Cordoba: City of Lights

Children will:

- Explore the rich history, culture, and contributions of the Spanish city of Córdoba, particularly during the medieval period.
- Learn about the city's significance in the Islamic Golden Age, focusing on the cultural exchange between different religions and the advancements in science, medicine, and philosophy.

PE

Net and Wall

Children will:

- Practise throwing, catching, forehand, backhand, rallying, balancing, running
- Develop cooperation and support skills to encourage team mates
- To learn about perseverance, honesty and determination through support

Music

Cornets

Children will:

- build on their previous musical skills by developing greater fluency in playing their brass instruments.
- focus on improving their technique, including breath control, posture, and embouchure, to produce a clearer and more consistent sound.

Spanish

Summer – Eating out

Children will:

- Learn to repeat and recognise words for drinks, milkshakes, sandwich fillings and snacks
- Know how to pronounce words for food and drink items correctly
- To use a prices list when ordering food and drink

Computing

Coding with Scratch

Children will:

- Identify how variables and if statements are used in Scratch games.
- Explain what a variable is, tracking and how a condition changes what happens.
- Create variables to keep and display scores.
- Debug code by finding and fixing errors.
- Evaluate the game by explaining what worked well and what could be improved.

Art/ DT

Cooking and Nutrition

Children will:

- Learn the essentials of healthy eating and nutrition while developing their own recipe.
- Explore the basic food groups, understanding how to balance meals to promote good health.
- Develop their own recipe, considering ingredients, preparation methods, and nutritional value.

Geography

Deserts

Children will:

- Explore the unique characteristics of desert ecosystems around the world.
- Learn about the climate, vegetation, and animals that are adapted to survive in the extreme conditions of deserts.
- Investigate different types of deserts, such as hot deserts like the Sahara and cold deserts like the Gobi, and understand how these environments differ.

PSHE & RSE

Water safety – Water Smart Schools

Children will:

- Identify where is/is not a safe place to swim, including recognising beach flags and safety signs
- Be able to identify and manage potential hazards, to reduce chances of getting in danger in, on or around water

RSE – Physical development

Events & celebrations

Tuesday 2nd June: Return to school

Tuesday 2nd June – Friday 12th June: MTC

Thursday 11th June: Trip to Sefton Park Palm House

Friday 17th July: Last day of the school year

Family Learning

Spellings, Times Table Rock stars,
Reading Plus and Home readers

