

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

ST. CHAD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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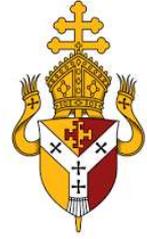
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**Welcome to Year One.**

Mrs Thomas is the Year One Class teacher with support from teaching assistants. Miss Newey will also be based in Year One to provide one to one support.

It's lovely to have the whole class back together and to see all of the children looking so smart We have been very impressed with Year One so far and look forward to a wonderful year together.

**What are we learning about?**

**Phonics** – All of the children are being assessed during the first few weeks in school. These assessments will allow us to form small phonic groups where your child will be taught according to their target. During phonics sessions the children will be taught to read and write. You might hear about our special friend 'Fred the frog'.

**Maths** – This term we will focus on place value within 10 and 20. We will also cover addition and subtraction within 10 and geometry (2D and 3D shapes).

**RE** – Alongside our daily collective worship we will study creation, families and celebrations, prayer, advent and Christmas.

**Science** – Our science topic for the first half term is 'My Body'. The children will be naming the various parts of their bodies and exploring the senses.

**Art** – We are looking forward to seeing some wonderful self-portraits of the children through our 'Self Portrait' topic.

**History** – Castles.

**Geography** – Around the World.

**Special days / Dates**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October – Class Saint Celebration Day (own clothes), St There of Lisieux.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Online Mass with His Grace the Archbishop of Birmingham

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October - Prayer Partner gathering.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Individual photos

PE will be on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon.

Homework will be sent out on Fridays and should be returned by the following Friday.

ICT – iAlgorithm and iWrite.

P.E. – Flight Ball skills and games.

**Values for Autumn Term:**

**Curious and Active until half term**

CURIOUS: about the world and what we can do to make it a better place for everyone. ACTIVE: in our school, community, parish & home life to actively make a difference.

**Intentional and Prophetic after half term**

INTENTIONAL: making a conscious decision to treat other people and our world in the thoughtful, kind and dignified way the Church teaches us – this is our INTENTION. PROPHETIC: By living in the way the Church teaches – we are prophetic through setting a positive example of our faith life to others – we become like a PROPHET who can set a good example of how to live in Christ.

**A God who Speaks**

The vision of the Archdiocese of Birmingham is to encourage us to reengage with scripture.

**Autumn Term 1 focus scripture:**

“In the beginning the Word already existed; the Word was with God, and the Word was God”

John 1:1

**Autumn Term 2 focus scripture:**

“The word became a human being and, full of grace and truth, lived among us” John 1:14