

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Half Termly Learning overview: Autumn 1 2026

Year: 1



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

3rd September 2026

Subject		Learning
English	Reading	Comprehension- Author focus – Judith Kerr including The Tiger Who Came to Tea, The crocodile under the bed, Katinka's tail, One night in the Zoo.
	Writing	Story writing – Read 'The tiger who came to tea' by Judith Kerr. The children will then innovate this to create their own new version of the story. Poetry focus – weather and changing seasons poems
Maths		We will start the half term focusing on place value within 10 , starting with counting objects, counting on / back from different numbers and then moving on to finding 1 more/less, comparing numbers and looking at language 'greater than' 'less than' and 'equal to.' Towards the end of the half term we will move on to addition and subtraction within 10
Religious Education		In RE we will be learning about Creation and Covenant . We will be looking at the story of Creation in Genesis and how God created the world day by day. We will discuss how we need to take care of God's world and the importance of caring for God's world in our community.
Science		In Science we will be answering the following questions: What are the parts of a plant? What are wild plants/ common plants and where do you find them? What makes a tree? What types of trees are there? What are the difference between trees?
Geography		In Geography we will be answering the following questions: What are the seven continents of the world? What are the five oceans of the world? What are the four countries of the United Kingdom? What are the capital cities of the four countries of the United Kingdom?
History		History is taught after half-term.
PSHE		This is covered throughout the half term in our class reflection and through other curriculum areas.
Art & Design		Drawing; make your mark. To develop observational drawing skills when exploring mark-making. Children use a range of tools, investigating how texture can be created in drawings.
DT		DT is taught after half-term.
Computing		We are illustrators We will be illustrating a traditional tale from our author boxes in class using EBooks.
PE		We will be developing our skills with our hands and feet as well as working as part of a team. We will also be in the hall doing Dance: moving words. This will focus on developing our skills of travelling, turning and stillness.

Music

The Menu song.

Children will listen and move in time to the song, play classroom instruments to accompany the song and compose a dramatic group performance using props and kitchen sound-makers.