St Edmund's Catholic Primary School

Half Termly Learning Overview: Autumn 2 2026 **Year: 2**

This is a summary of the learning and taking place for the half term beginning: 2/11/26

Not every subject listed is taught every week.

Subject		**Learning**
English	**Reading**	Reading Comprehension – children will look through a variety of different texts such as poems, short stories, articles and letters. They will be recalling facts from the text – who is the main character? Predicting – what might happen next? Discuss word meanings – what does this word mean? Drawing conclusions from what they have read – why did they do that do you think?
	Writing	Narrative – The Three Wishes. Taught through the Pie Corbett Talk for writing – imitating, innovating and invention. Performance and spine poetry. Grammar – subordination and co-ordination (when, if, but, so, and , because, that) statements, questions and commands and contractions (don't, it's, I'll.)
Maths		Addition and Subtraction – Number bonds, fact families, adding and subtracting 1- and 2-digit numbers. Geometry –properties of 2D and 3D shapes, symmetry and patterns.
Religious Education		Branch Two: Prophecy and Promise – Looking at Zechariah in the temple, The Annunciation to Mary, The Visitation, leading into Advent and The Birth of Jesus.
Science		Our topic will be Animals, including Humans. Focusing on what an animal is, how animals change as they mature and how we change as we mature, what do animals need to stay alive and what do we need to stay healthy.
History		Our topic will be Events beyond living memory looking in depth at The Great Fire of London, how and where it started, why is spread so quickly and how this changed London.
Geography		Our focus this half term will be History.
PSHE		We will be focused on Remembrance Day, Anti-Bullying week, Las Posadas, World Parliament Week, St. Andrew, St. Nicholas, Human Rights Day and the Nativity.
Art & Design inc Design Technology		DT Focus – Structures: A chair for a bear. Observing and investigating different structures, designs and materials to create the best product.
Computing		Children will learn how to sign in (using their login) to a laptop. Then with the theme of 'We are Astronauts' they will be using the program scratch to move beebots around the screen, by inputing instructions to be followed.
Music		Focus: Penguin Pete. We will be learning a range of songs to perform together at the end of the half term.
PE		Dance: Great Fire of London - To explore travelling and pathways showing control, change of levels/speed/direction. Develop skills of improvisations to create their own movements to music.