

# St Joseph's Primary School

## Mandela Class - Autumn 1

This term we will be covering the following topics:	
<b>The Way, The Truth &amp; The Life</b>	Our topic this half term is 'The Christian Family'. We will reflect on what it means to be part of a family and part of the Christian family. We will look at the sacrament of baptism and make links with how Christians live and Jesus' teachings. We will look at the signs and symbols of baptism and be able to give reasons why signs and actions are used making links to events in the bible.
<b>English</b>	This term we are focusing on letter writing. We will recognise different types of letters and look at the features and layout of letters. We will recognise the difference between formal and informal letters and show understanding of the intended audience. Through our letters we will show opinion, interest and humour. We will continue to develop our skills in spelling and handwriting.
<b>Mathematics</b>	This term there will be a focus on number. Children will begin by reinforcing their place value knowledge before moving on to look at the four operations and written calculations we use. Children will begin practising their times tables and any extra practice at home will help reinforce this learning.
<b>Science</b>	Our topic this half term is 'Animals including humans'. Children will investigate what animals including humans need to stay healthy. They will become familiar with a balanced diet and how nutrients, water and oxygen are transported within animals. They will look at the functions of the human skeleton and understand that bones (muscles) are needed for movement. They will identify similarities and differences from skeletons of humans and animals and describe how joints enable movement. They will look at exercise as an essential part of a healthy lifestyle
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computing - Computer Science</li> <li>• History - Stone Age to Iron Age</li> <li>• PE - Dance</li> <li>• Art - Stone Age</li> <li>• PSHCE - Citizenship</li> </ul>