

# St Joseph's Primary School

## Mandela Class - Spring One 2018

This term we will be covering the following topics:	
<b>The Way, The Truth &amp; The Life</b>	Our topic this half term is 'Called to Change'. We will be developing our knowledge and understanding of Jesus' teaching on forgiveness and how he helped people change for the better. We will reflect on the process of reconciliation and know that the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a celebration of God's love and forgiveness.
<b>English</b>	This term we are focusing on stories with familiar settings. Pupils will read 'The Hodgeheg' by Dick King Smith and will use this story as stimulus for their writing. The children will plan and write their own story with a familiar setting. We will still be focusing on using new vocabulary within our writing, adding conjunctions to justify our ideas and using paragraphs in our writing. We are also working on editing our own writing and that of others by suggesting improvements.
<b>Mathematics</b>	This term there will be a focus on number and measurement. We will be exploring the written methods for multiplication and division. The children will learn about time; they will be able to record time using hours, minutes and seconds. They will also write the time using analogue and digital clocks. Children will be practising their 4 and 8 times tables and any extra practice at home will help reinforce this learning.
<b>Science</b>	Our topic this half term is 'Light and Dark. The children will be identifying light sources and investigating how shadows are formed. We will discuss reflection and the uses of reflective surfaces. We will continue to develop our prediction and investigative skills.
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computing - Computer Science</li> <li>• Geography - Yorkshire</li> <li>• PE - Dance</li> <li>• Art - Talking Textiles</li> <li>• PSHCE - Citizenship</li> </ul>
<p>You can help your child by...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listening to them read on a regular basis and signing their reading record.</li> <li>• Helping them remember their 'learn by heart targets' - make them into fun games or used in every day contexts.</li> <li>• Encouraging them to be responsible for their belongings.</li> </ul>	