



St Martin of Porres Catholic Primary School

Beech Class
Autumn term 2026
Curriculum Information

RE

In RE this term, children will be learning about the Creation story in Genesis. They are exploring Christian beliefs about God as Creator, the goodness of all creation, and what it means to be made in God's image. Linked to Pope Francis' Laudato Si', they will reflect on caring for the world, valuing human dignity, and living with gratitude and responsibility.

English

The pupils will be planning, drafting and editing:

- Recounts and diary entries
- Narratives and descriptive writing
- Character and setting descriptions
- Newspaper reports and information texts
- Informal letters
- Poetry
- Instructions and explanations

Grammar

Children will develop their understanding of grammatical features such as:

- Expanded noun phrases
- Different sentence types
- Coordinating and subordinating conjunctions
- Adverbs and prepositions
- Tenses and consistent use of tense
- Paragraphs and sentence structure
- Apostrophes
- Commas and punctuation

Maths Year 2

- Place value – numbers to 100.
- Addition and subtraction – calculations within 100.
- Shape – 2D and 3D shapes and their properties.
- Times tables – 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Maths Year 3

- Place value – numbers to 1,000.
- Addition and subtraction – mental and written methods.
- Multiplication and division – methods and problem-solving.
- Area – measuring and calculating area.
- Times tables – 3, 4 and 8 times tables, with revision of 2, 5 and 10.

Science Year 2

Children will explore plants and everyday materials, investigating what plants need to grow and how different materials are used in everyday life.

Science Year 3

Children will explore plants and rocks, investigating what plants need to grow and identifying and comparing different types of rocks and their properties.

Music

Children will develop their musical skills through singing, composing and performing, using glockenspiels to explore rhythm, pulse and pitch.

PSHE

Children will explore relationships, health and wellbeing, and staying safe, developing the skills to care for themselves and others and make positive, respectful choices.

History

Children will explore the Great Fire of London, discovering what happened in 1666 and investigating its impact on London and the lives of people at the time.

Geography

Children will learn about rivers and how they shape the landscape. They will explore the key features of a river, including the source, meander and mouth, and use maps to locate and follow rivers.

Computing

Children will develop their digital skills through Information Technology and Digital Photography, exploring how technology is used responsibly and capturing and editing digital photographs for different purposes.

Art

Children will explore portraiture and self-expression through the work of Pablo Picasso, experimenting with colour, shape and form.

Design & Technology

Children will explore cooking and nutrition, learning about the importance of a balanced diet and developing their practical food preparation skills.

Homework

Children will receive weekly spellings to practise, with a spelling test every Friday. They will also complete sentences using their spelling words. Optional Atom Learning homework in Maths and English will be set online, with logins provided. Children can also practise their times tables regularly online using Times Tables Rock Stars.