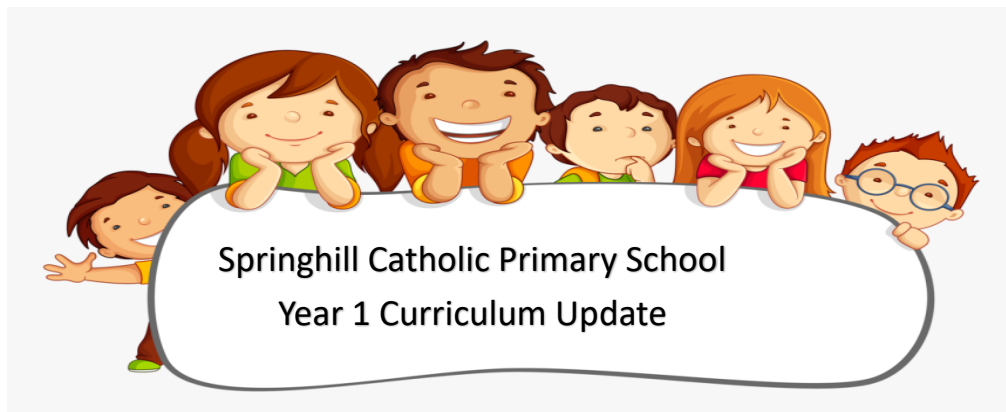




The water that I will give them will become a spring of water within, welling up to eternal life.
JOHN 4:14



Spring 1 —2024

Dear parents and carers,

Another busy half term lies ahead with lots of fun learning activities planned. The children have their very first school disco this half term. How exciting!

In RE, the children will be learning about Christmas. They will also be learning that Jesus used stories called parables to teach us. The children will be learning about Sikhism.

In reading, the children will be continuing to use their phonics knowledge to decode words. They will be learning how to read a simple text and answer simple questions about it using the keywords who, what, when and where. The children will be working on their fluency and will be learning about different word meanings.

In writing this half term, the children will continue to focus on ensuring that they use correct letter formation when writing. They will be writing simple sentences using a capital letter, finger spaces and a full stop. The children will be retelling familiar stories and writing character descriptions.

In maths, the children will be counting forwards and backwards in tens and recognising the value of each digit in a 2-digit number. They will be working on their recall of number bonds to 10.

In PSHE, we will be thinking about how we can live a healthy lifestyle and what it means to be healthy. In British Values, the children will be learning about individual liberty.

In DT, the children will be designing and making sandwiches.

In science, the children will be learning about the human body and parts of the human body. They will also be thinking about the body parts of different animals.

In geography, the children will be continuing to look at maps and be identifying places on a map of the school. They will be looking at physical and human features and thinking about how we can improve the school grounds.

In music, the children will be singing long and short sounds and echo singing. They will be creating sequences of long and short sounds. The children will be listening to Samba and Blues music.

In PE, the children will be dribbling with an implement and using their feet to control a large ball. In dance, they will use different movements, levels and expression to represent a character.

In computing, the children will be working on programming and they will use this skill to move a robot.

Key dates:

Friday 5th January—Epiphany liturgy

Friday 26th January 5pm-5.45pm—School disco

Monday 5th—Friday 9th February—Children's Mental Health Week

Friday 9th February—Palm burning, pancake races and ashes services

Monday 12th—Sunday 18th February—HALF TERM

Please remember to read daily with your child and complete the reading challenge. Daily reading will ensure your child has the best start in life.