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Dear Parents

RE: CURRICULUM INFORMATION

We continually review the curriculum as part of the process of improving children's learning. A significant emphasis is placed on empowering our pupils with a deep knowledge and understanding of concepts and information taught. We want our children to learn key information and more importantly, to develop and apply reasoning skills, which will help them to be analytical thinkers who are able to ask and answer questions with understanding.

At St. Joseph's we continue to strive for excellence and maintain high expectations and standards, embedded in our school ethos. Our curriculum is broad and balanced and aims to equip our children with the skills to be successful in a competitive world, with a lifelong love for learning. We regularly review our teaching, learning and the curriculum. To support effective learning, staff have worked together to produce 'Knowledge Organisers' for topics taught each half term.

The 'Knowledge Organisers' are documents outlining key knowledge and information required for each topic. They include key vocabulary, definitions and other essential information for you to share with your child. **We hope that you will work closely with your child to learn the facts, key spellings of topic words and engage in activities and websites suggested.**

The aim of the 'Knowledge Organisers' is that all pupils know exactly what is being taught and what the children need to learn. We will continue to develop these documents and welcome any suggestions you have. Information will be uploaded onto the class pages on our school website. Should you require a paper copy please do ask at the school office.

New initiatives are exciting, and I am confident that our 'Knowledge Organisers' will further engage our children and contribute to maintaining high standards.

Thank you for your support and I look forward to hearing your comments.

Yours sincerely

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