



The Federation of St Joseph's Junior, Infant and Nursery Schools

'Together We Can'

Autumn 1 2022 Newsletter

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

We are very excited by the coming year and are confident that we are going to have a fantastic year ahead, we would like to welcome you to Year 4 and introduce the Team:

Ms Arthur Class Teacher 4J

Ms De Melo Class Teacher 4O

Mrs Luri Year 4 Teaching Assistant and French Teacher

Mrs Mangan PE Teacher

We are very excited by the coming year and are confident that we are going to have a fantastic year ahead.

It is vital that school and parents work together in order for this to be a successful year for your child. Please feel assured that you can easily contact the Year 4 Team through the year group email or by making an appointment and we will respond as soon as possible. Other methods of communication from us will be via the App, Google Classroom, letters or the website.

You may be wondering how you can help your child become a more confident and independent learner. For English, the single most important thing that you can do is to hear your child read. Good readers make good writers because they are exposed to a greater variety of vocabulary and grammar. As well as reading to your child, encourage them to read to you. Ask them questions about what they have read to check comprehension and encourage them to think ahead...what might happen in the next chapter for example.

In Maths, there is an expectation that by the end of Year 4 all times tables are known and learnt fluently. Practice regularly and go back and repeat tables, previously practiced. Sing tables in the car; at mealtimes; before bed; walking the dog; at any spare minute!

Homework is given out every Friday and will consist of a piece of writing, maths and weekly spellings. We expect that it is completed and returned by each Wednesday.

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This half term our topics in Year 4 are:

ENGLISH The Whale by Ethan and Vita Murrow (fiction)

Inviting an Author into school (non-fiction letter)

Our Reading Text will be The girl who stole an elephant by Nirzana Farrok

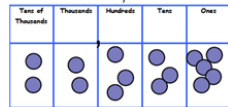


MATHS We will be building on the children's Place Value knowledge and further embedding the principles in order to deepen fluency, reasoning and problem solving.

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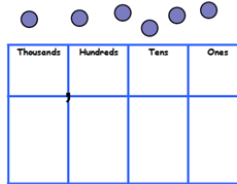
What number is represented here?



Ben removes one counter. He now has 22,235. Which counter has he removed?
What is the smallest possible number he could be left with, if he removed one counter?

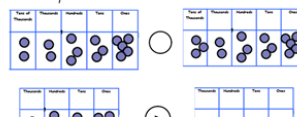


Anna puts six numbers on the place value chart. What is the biggest number she could make? What is the smallest? Where did you put the counters? Can you explain your reasoning?



Year 4 Place Value Reasoning, Mastery and

Complete so these statements are true



RE The topic is The Bible

Christianity
The Bible

A teaching and activity resource for Year 4/5

What is a Bible?

The Bible was written over a period of many years and is made up of 66 books.

The Bible

The Old Testament is the first part of the Bible and it's made up of 39 books.
The New Testament is the second part and is made up of 27 books which makes 66 in total.

The Bible was written long ago by many different authors and includes books of history, songs, poetry, letters, prayers plus much more!

Books of the Bible

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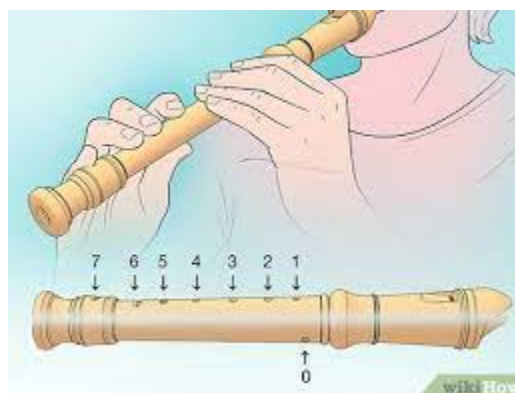


SCIENCE Living things and their habitats

HISTORY Our Heritage - a significant person

ART Drawing Self portraits - Artist study

MUSIC Learn to play the recorder



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The Year 4 assembly will be on Friday 18th November, we look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible.

The Year 4 trip this half term will be linked to our Science topic of Living things and their habitats so we will be visiting London Zoo. We aim to visit the Rainforest Explorer workshop which will link with the class reading book as Sri Lankan elephants live in rainforests and tropical woodlands. Date and price tbc

We look forward to meeting you

The Year 4 Team