



# Saint Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy

## Kinder Lent 2 Newsletter

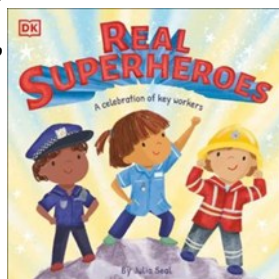
Welcome back after half term. We hope you all had a lovely break.

We have a busy term ahead and are looking forward to sharing our new topics with the children.

### Literacy

Children will continue to follow the Little Wandle scheme for phonics and reading; exploring a new book each Monday—Wednesday which will be sent home every Wednesday to share at home. The children will be reviewing phase 3 sounds, learning to read longer words and words with different endings, such as ing, es, s.

Our focus for literacy this half term is 'People who help us'. We will be learning about the emergency services and the true heroes in our community. We will be having visitors to come to school and teach us about the important roles they play. This topic will allow us to explore mark making and early writing, whilst learning about the world around us.



### Writing

Within our literacy topic there will be opportunities to write for different purposes. The children will write job descriptions, invitations, thank you letters and requests for help. The children have a daily letter formation lesson within phonics.

### Numeracy

In numeracy the children will continue to follow the White Rose Maths scheme, taking part in daily carpet sessions and independent activities in our continuous provision.

Areas to be taught include:

- measuring capacity
- exploring and comparing length
- exploring and comparing height
- talking about time
- ordering and sequencing

Mathematical concepts will be explored in our continuous provision, where children will build on their knowledge of place value to 10. Children will have daily practice of number formation, addition and subtraction.





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### Topic

Our topic this half term is 'People Who Help Us'. This topic lends itself well to cross-curricular teaching and the children will be exploring the world around us. Our role play area will become a fire station, police station and a hospital, where children can use their imagination and new vocabulary.

From an 'Understanding the World' perspective, children will learn about different emergency services and roles that people play in our community to help us. We will be visiting different places and inviting speakers into Kinder Class to teach us about their important roles.

The children will explore with different colours and textures in Art.

### RE

In this unit, Desert to Garden we know that Lent is a time to:

Get ready - understand the word Lent;

Grow closer to Jesus - understanding fasting;

Care for others - recognising what we can do for others;

As well as understanding what happened during Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

We will explore these ideas through stories, art and discussion.

### PE

PE will continue to take place every **Wednesday**. This half term focuses on movement and dance. We will also be doing multi-sports on a **Thursday** with OTIS sports. Your child should come to school in their school PE kit and trainers **every Wednesday and Thursday**.

### Tooth brushing

Will continue to take place everyday, in addition to their morning and evening routine.

### Home School Diary

Please continue to write in your child's homeschool diary, it is important that your child reads at least 3 times a week and practices their sounds. The progress every child in Kinder has made is amazing and we thank you for all the support they receive at home.

### Dates for your diary:

Thursday 6th March:

World book day

Tuesday 1st April:

Kinder class trip to Hilltop farm—letter to follow

