

St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Ipswich

`Living and Learning through Faith`





Year 1

In RE, we have enjoyed learning about how Jesus proved that he was truly the Son of God and what he did in the last week of his life. We have learned about Jesus entering Jerusalem like a king, had a last supper with His disciples, was sentenced to death and died on the cross. We thought about how He rose from the dead and how the story of his resurrection gives us hope.



In Computing, we have been working on our skills, like using a trackpad (mouse) and keyboard. We created pieces of artwork using the Chromebooks to practice and hone these skills.



In DT, we enjoyed looking at soft toys and thinking about how they were made. We then practised using Binca and safety needles, working on our running stitches. We then made small hand-warmers, using felt and proper needles! It was a challenging but rewarding activity!

We have completed the Phase 5 sounds in Phonics (again!) and will be revisiting these in the Summer term, to further boost children's confidence in recognising and blending these sounds.

In Maths, we have studied Fractions, Multiplication and Division and Money. We can count up to 20 and recall number bonds to 20, too. We can identify 2-D and 3-D shapes and can describe some of their properties.

In English, we have written recounts and retold stories. We have learned to use pronouns to replace our nouns and proper nouns. We have enjoyed reading many of our core texts, like Chocolate Cake by Michael Rosen.

In Art, we have enjoyed honing our painting skills, developing our brushstroke techniques. We have looked at the artwork of Piet Mondrian and Josef Albers and re-created our own versions of their artwork.

In History, we have started our learning on significant individuals. We have learned about Mary Anning, a pioneering palaeontologist who did not get the credit she deserved, because she was a poor woman.

For Geography we have been learning about the hot and cold places on the Earth. We have learned that the hottest parts of the world are near, or on, the equator and that the coldest parts of the world are at the north and south poles (The Arctic and Antarctica).

It has been a great second term of Year 1, I am very proud of the children for their terrific learning behaviours.