St Mary's Catholic Junior Academy

Year 3

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RE



Children deepen their understanding of **Genesis**, exploring what it reveals about God's relationship with humanity.



They learn about **stewardship** and caring for the environment as part of God's plan.

Children learn about key **Old Testament prophets** and their role in calling people back to God.

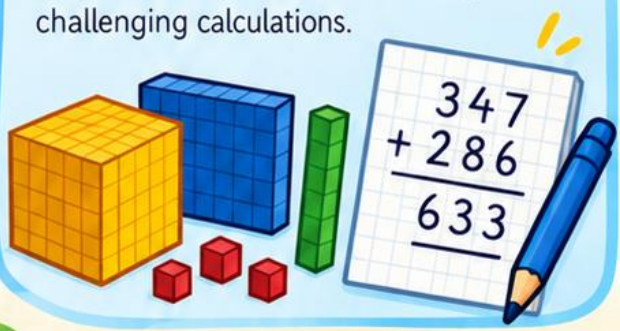


They explore how prophetic messages prepared people for the **Messiah**.

Maths



Children develop their understanding of **place value within 1,000** and use formal methods for **addition** and **subtraction** to solve increasingly challenging calculations.



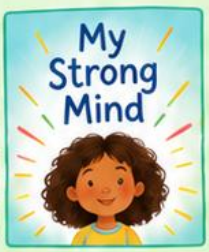
English



Children will develop their reading and writing skills through a range of engaging texts including:



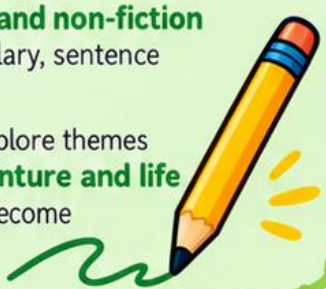






They will write for a variety of purposes, including **descriptions, narratives and non-fiction texts**, while developing their vocabulary, sentence structure and writing stamina.

These texts will inspire children to explore themes such as **resilience, self-belief, adventure and life in the Stone Age**, helping them to become confident and creative writers.



Science

Children will compare different types of **rocks**, learn how **fossils** are formed, and investigate the role of **soil** in supporting life.





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PE

Children will improve their **speed, coordination** and **endurance** through **athletics**, develop teamwork and tactical awareness in **football and tag rugby**, and enhance **strength, balance** and **flexibility** in **gymnastics**.

Art and Design

Children will observe and draw **plants and natural forms**, developing their **sketching** and **shading** techniques while exploring how artists and scientists record the world around them.

Computing

Children will learn how to communicate appropriately using **email** and understand the importance of **online safety**. They will also begin **programming** with **Scratch**, creating simple animations and games while developing their understanding of **sequences**, **loops** and **debugging**.

Geography

Children will learn about **volcanoes, earthquakes** and **plate tectonics**. They will investigate why people choose to live near volcanoes and consider both the opportunities and risks these environments present.

History

Children will explore life in **prehistoric Britain**, discovering how people lived, worked and adapted over time.
They will compare the **Stone Age**, **Bronze Age** and **Iron Age** and consider how daily life changed across these periods.

Music

Children will develop their singing, listening and performance skills through a range of musical styles, including **rhythm and blues**. They will explore **pulse, rhythm** and **melody** while beginning to **improvise** and **compose** their own music.

Spanish

Children will begin their journey in learning a new language, developing confidence in **speaking**, **listening**, **reading** and **writing**. They will learn greetings, classroom vocabulary, numbers, dates and how different celebrations are marked in French-speaking countries.

¡Hola!

P/RSHE

Children will strengthen their understanding of **cooperation, respect and teamwork** while developing positive relationships. They will learn strategies to support their **emotional wellbeing, confidence** and **resilience** when facing challenges.