

English

Carrie's War is our base novel for this term. Using it as inspiration for writing, we will explore several writing outcomes, including letter writing, setting and character descriptions and a balanced argument, as well as using taught literary devices to enhance our descriptive and persuasive writing. St. Francis Class will also participate in role-play and Topical Talk sessions to encourage speaking and listening skills.



Maths

We will do maths investigations and study the following:

- Read, write, order and compare numbers up to 10,000,000 and determine the value of each digit.
- Use negative numbers in context, and calculate intervals across zero.
- Use the four operations accurately.
- Solve number and practical problems that involve all of the above.

PSHE

We will be discussing the importance of respecting different types of relationships. Our E-Safety curriculum will focus on the acceptable use of different forms of technology.



Spanish

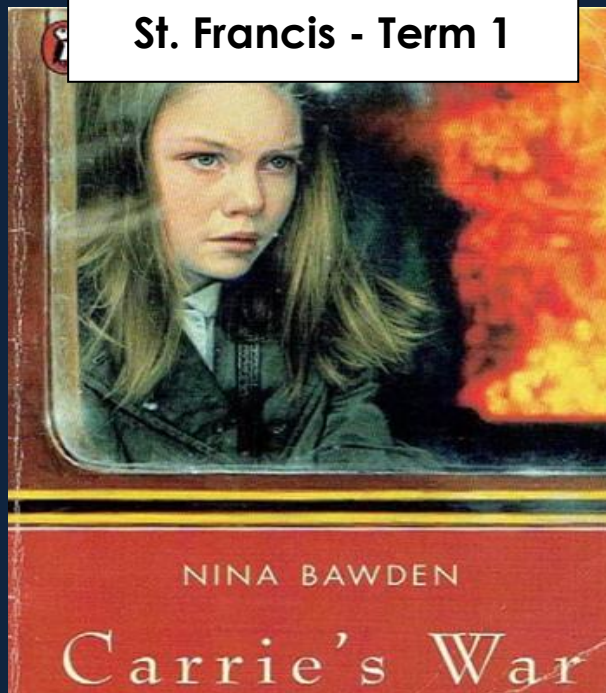
The children will recap prior learning and hone their pronunciation of phrases about themselves and their feelings; discuss their daily routines and tell the time.

Computing – Systems and Networks

We will explore how data is transferred over the internet and how it facilitates online communication and collaboration. We will also recap how to communicate responsibly over the internet by considering what we share.



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History – The Battle of Britain 1940

This historical investigation looks into what the most influential factors were in the outcome of the Battle of Britain. The children will look at sources to analyse what problems Britain faced at this time and how radar, the building of planes and Britain's morale played a part in the outcome. Using their analytical thinking, the children will review the reliability and usefulness of different sources and make their own conclusions.



Art – The Blitz

This term we will appreciate artwork by Wilfred Stanley Haines and exploring proportion and perspective, tonal contrast and mixed media in our own compositions.

Music

This term we will be exploring music between 1890-1945, focusing on Big Band, Jazz and Swing from the 1940s. We will discuss the dimensions of music in songs and start rehearsing for our Young Voices concert.

RE – Creation and Covenant

This term we will show an understanding of the literary forms found in religious texts, exploring the Christian belief of the 'original sin' by making links with the second story of Creation and developing our understanding of the Christian belief that in Jesus a new covenant is made and through him the relationship with God can be restored - making links with John (1:1–5, 16–18) and the Nicene Creed.



Science – Light

Throughout our Science topic this term we will be:

- recognising that light appears to travel in straight lines
- using the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye
- explaining that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes
- using the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.



PE – Hockey and Basketball

We will enjoy Basketball and consider some fundamental skills of Hockey including the selection of different grips depending on the action needed; dribbling in all directions including reverse dribble; and passing on the move over different distances. We will learn to try and outwit defenders using various dribbling and passing techniques in attack and conversely, explore how to defend and not be outwitted! Finally, we will attempt to use the learnt skills in a game scenario.