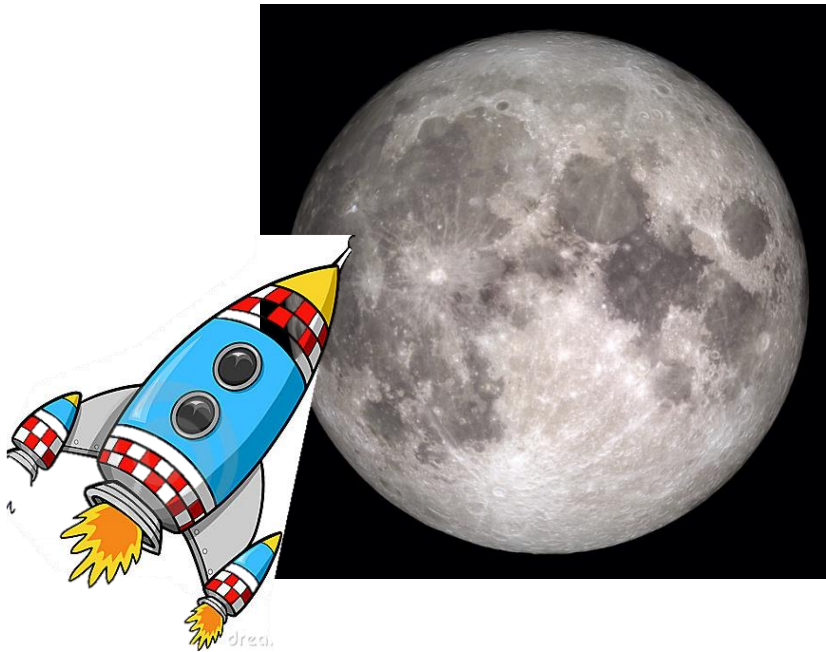




St Charles RC Primary School



Year 1 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1
2021/ 2022

Welcome to Key Stage 1!

We are having a great first week, getting to know each other and the routines in Year 1! Here is a bit of what is going on this half term.



RE Focus: Domestic Church – Family. We are going to learn about the love and care shown in the family, and about God’s love and care for every family. Please could you send in a family photo your child could use to talk about their family?

Phonics: Sounds and letters are a big focus in Year 1, leading to a Phonics Screening Test in May. See attached a sound mat with all the sounds (phonemes) we will be learning this term. Please display it at home and revise the sounds with your child when you can.

Reading folders need to be sent to school every day. Please listen to your child read every night, if possible. Sign the reading journal every time your child reads at home – each signed box brings your child 5 house team points!

Spelling practice will be done on Spelling Shed; an individual log in and password will be sent home as soon as they are set up for the school. Meanwhile we will be sending a spelling list home on Fridays as part of the weekly homework task. There will be a spelling test the following Friday.

Maths: We will focus on counting up to 100, counting on and back, counting in 2s, 5s and 10s Ordering and comparing numbers, number bonds and calculations will be a

main focus this half term. For some practice, go to:

<https://uk.splashlearn.com/counting-games>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/3-5-years/counting>



Our topic – Why do we want to go to the Moon? : We will learn about space, the Solar System, astronauts and spaceships. If you have any books, posters or games related to this topic, we would love to borrow them – please send them to school.

Science: We will be learning about the weather and we will be observing the change of seasons. Please encourage your child to watch the weather forecast on TV (or listen to it on the radio) and discuss the specific vocabulary used.

PE lessons take place on Monday afternoon. Please make sure your child wears a PE kit (white T-shirt, black shorts and pumps) to school on Monday – as part of the pandemic measures we are not getting children changed in school.

Forest School sessions will take place on Wednesday, starting next week. Please make sure your child wears own clothes to school – comfortable clothes they can get muddy and mucky. Once the weather gets cold and wet, a change of clothes would be useful, too.

Many thanks for all your support and cooperation.

Mrs. Leckey and Mrs Starkie-Smith