



Curriculum Overview

Reception Spring Term



Literacy

Life Skills, Aspiration, Resilience

Children will learn: to sequence, retell and act out stories. They will compare and describe characters and settings. Children will use their phonic knowledge to read simple words and phrases. They will share stories with others. They will develop their letter formation and will write words using sounds they know.

Communication and Language

Life Skills, Aspiration, Resilience

Children will learn to ask questions to find out more. They will articulate ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences and connect one idea or action to another. They will describe events in some detail. They will learn new vocabulary and use it throughout the day and in different contexts.



Physical Development

Self-Belief, Risk, Perseverance

Our topics in PE this term are Fundamental Movements and Multi-skills. Children will learn how to balance, navigate obstacles, develop their coordination and agility and continue to experiment with different ways of moving. They will learn how to throw and catch objects in different ways.



Expressive Arts and Design

Self Belief, Risk, Aspiration

Children will continue to explore and refine their artistic skills to express their ideas independently. They will work collaboratively to create artwork. They will create their own rockets out of junk materials and will create space scenes using paints and pastels. Children will make and use salt dough to create their own dinosaur fossils.

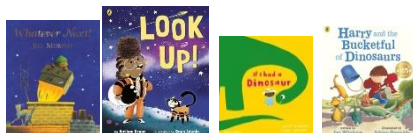
Children will continue to develop their imaginative play and will act out experiences with others. Children will listen to, and move around to, different types of music. Through the Easter performance they will learn songs and perform them. In Design Technology they will learn threading and weaving techniques to make a bookmark. They will explore fruits and vegetables and will prepare and cook soup.



Reading

Life Skills, Aspiration, Curiosity

Children will read:



Maths

Life Skills, Perseverance, Resilience

Children will explore numbers to 10 and will compare groups of objects within 10. They will learn about addition to 10 by combining groups to find the whole and will learn about subtraction within 10. Children will learn to find number bonds within 10. They will explore measurement through work on length, height, distance and weight. They will make simple patterns and explore more complex patterns.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



Self-Awareness, Self-Esteem, Curiosity

Dreams and Goals– Children will identify challenges and will learn how to persevere and overcome obstacles. They will set goals and learn how to achieve them. They will learn about seeking help and about different jobs.

Healthy Me– Children will learn about the importance of exercise, sleep, and diet to keep healthy. They will learn about how to keep clean and safe.



Forest School

Perseverance, Resilience

Children will explore the Forest School environment, developing their moving and handling and building skills. They will look for signs of Spring. They will learn how to cook popcorn on the fire, through adult demonstration. They will use natural materials to create characters from the class texts, they will explore the Forest School environment for dinosaur clues.



Computing

Risk, Perseverance, Resilience

Children will learn: that information can be retrieved from computers, to complete a simple program on a computer, to use ICT hardware to interact with age-appropriate computer software.



Religious Education

Curiosity, Self-Awareness

Our Big Questions this term are:
Why is the word 'God' so important to Christians? and
Why is Easter special for Christians?



Understanding the World

Curiosity, Self-Awareness

Children will learn about space. They will learn about the moon, stars and planets. They will learn about the job of an astronaut including what they wear and how they train and will pretend to be astronauts themselves. They will imagine what life is like on the space station and will compare it to their own life. They will carry out simple investigations such as how to launch a rocket model and what materials would be strong and waterproof for a space helmet.

Children will learn about dinosaurs. They will learn about the different types of dinosaurs, where they lived and what they ate. They will learn about how we know about dinosaurs through bones and fossils. They will create dinosaur nests and will explore melting ice dinosaur eggs.