

Reception Autumn 2024 Curriculum Guide

Communication, Language and Literacy

- Speaking and listening – circle time, class discussions, following instructions.
- Recognise /write name.
- Introduction to the reading scheme.
- Recognising by sight Reception key words.
- Phonics and handwriting focus – s, a, t, p, l, n, m, d, g, o, c, k, ck, e, u, r, h, b, f, ff, l, ll, ss, j, v, w, x, y, z, zz, qu, sh, ch, th, ng, ai, ee, igh, oa.
- Fictional stories and non-fictional texts.
- Sequencing pictures from familiar stories.
- Poetry and rhymes.
- Writing a caption to accompany a picture.
- Letter formation and direction, position on a line.

Mathematics

- Counting, reading, ordering and writing 1-10 (reciting numbers to 20), forwards and backwards, concept of zero to describe an empty set.
- 1:1 correspondence when counting objects.
- Subitising.
- Calculation – early addition one more than and early subtraction one less than a given number.
- Shape – 2D and 3D shape recognition, finding shapes in the environment.
- Measures – concept of length and height, capacity, comparing and ordering measures.
- Positional language.
- Pattern making – continue a repeating pattern with colour, shapes and objects, patterns in the environment.
- Time – comparing and ordering events, recognising a minute as a unit of time.
- Money – begin to recognise coins.
- Number formation to 10.
- Problem solving.

Understanding the World

- **Pirates:** looking at maps, boats and how they float.
- **Fruit and Vegetables:** types of fruit and vegetables, shape, smell, taste, seeds, growth and decay.
- **Harvest:** the meaning of harvest and making bread.
- **Being Healthy:** talking about the different ways to be healthy, from eating to exercise.
- **Our World:** learning about the lives of children just like them around the world.
- **Night and Day:** nocturnal animals, Bonfire Night.
- **Dinosaurs:** past and present events, similarities and differences between dinosaurs.

- **The Gruffalo:** stories by Julia Donaldson.
- **Owls:** learning facts about owls.
- **Christmas:** The Nativity story, customs and traditions – links to other festivals and celebrations from different

Personal and Social and Emotional Development

- Establishing class routines and rules, turn taking, sharing, working as a team.
- Managing feelings and behaviour.
- Support children in making new friends – making relationships.
- Managing own personal hygiene.
- Healthy eating.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Printing and painting
- Harvest Festival and Christmas production.
- *Having fun with music* – a range of songs and musical activities to develop an awareness of the singing voice, feeling and performing a steady pulse, distinguishing sounds and tempo.
- *Preparation for Harvest and Christmas* – listening and responding to music and learning songs.

Physical Development

- Pencil control: establishing pencil grip, following patterns and letter formation.
- Using scissors and tools effectively.
- P.E – Spatial awareness activities and games such as running, balancing etc.
- Swimming: confidence in the pool.
- Cosmic Yoga.

Modern Foreign Languages

- Introducing the foundation of the French language through conversation, songs, poems and play activities.