

Reception Learning Journey

Spring 1

Communication and Language Development

We will develop our ability to talk about ourselves and the things that are important to us.

We will learn to listen in order to find out more. We will listen carefully to visitors and ask appropriate questions. We will focus on how to answer 'why' questions.

Literacy

In phonics, we will learn the final set of sounds, as well as words containing double letters and longer words. We will continue to become more confident with blending to read and segmenting to spell.

Our key stories this half-term are 'One Snowy Night', 'Supertato' and 'Not Now, Bernard.'

Understanding the World

Our topic is Superheroes. We will begin by focussing on ourselves as heroes, reminding ourselves of how special we are. We will then go on to look at everyday people who are superheroes. We look forward to welcoming lots of everyday superheroes into our classroom to tell us all about themselves.

We are also going to have a focus on healthy food.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We are going to talk about rules and laws, and why it's important that we have them and follow them. We are also going to spend time on intrinsic motivation—how doing well makes us feel, and why it's important to always try our best.

Religious Education

Our first R.E. topic is 'Celebrations'. We will be visiting the local church and meeting our priest, 'Father Marc'. We will learn about all of the celebrations that take place in church.

'Learning together in faith and love, we shine as children of God'

Parents as Partners...

It really makes such a difference when you spend time reading with your child. At this stage, they need **lots and lots** of practice. Supporting them with their weekly homework challenge is also a great help. It would also be fantastic if you could talk to your child about the different jobs adults do within your family and wider circle.

Enrichment...

A variety of visitors to talk about the different jobs they do.

Physical Development

We will be introduced to a range of different size balls, and will develop our skills of rolling, kicking, throwing and catching. We will also practice aiming for and hitting a target.

Mathematics

We will begin by developing a firm understanding of 'zero'. We will then explore the numbers 6 to 10. We will identify the numerals, count the amounts, represent the numbers in different ways, construct each of the numbers and order them correctly.

We will also develop our understanding of mass and capacity.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will focus on construction, linked to designing and building traps to catch Evil Pea. We will explore different ways to join and decide the most effective materials for the job.

We will also continue to develop our observational drawing skills with a focus on fruit and vegetables.