



# Reception Curriculum News Spring TERM



Happy New Year everyone! We have a whirlwind tour planned for this term which will be filled with adventure! We will travel the world as "Curious Investigators", from the Polar Regions, to the Amazon Jungle! We are working together to build upon the friendships we have made in Autumn term and learning more about ourselves and each other.

## Communication, Language and Literacy

- Listen carefully to what someone is saying, then make a comment or ask a question based on what they have said.
- Recite a nursery rhyme off by heart to our friends.
- Read Write Inc. – Set 1 and 2 sounds.
- Explore punctuation and what it means, using capital letters in the correct places, learning exciting vocabulary and recognising their 100 high frequency words for Reception

*At home you could:*

- play games such as 'snap' or 'bingo' with high frequency words and letter-sounds.
- Encourage your child to write for different purposes, such as letters, shopping lists and cards.

## Maths

We have had a big focus on number and calculation skills, as well as recognising shapes and making patterns. Our focus will include:

- Understanding numbers to 10 through:
  - Counting
  - One more, one less
  - Subitising Numbers
  - Part-part whole
  - Addition and subtraction
  - Numer bonds to 10
  - Ordering numbers
- Mass and Capacity
- Length and Height
- 3D Shapes
- Patterns

*At home you could:*

- Go on shape and number hunts.
- Involve your child when measuring and baking.
- Number board games.



Roll the dice and draw that number of dots. Repeat on the other side. How many altogether?

Embark upon a shape hunt:  
*What shapes can you see? Are they 2d or 3d? How many sides/corners/points/faces does this shape have?*



Venture on a number hunt. Which number is the biggest/smallest? Can you put them in order from smallest to biggest? Practise writing these numbers.

## Help at Home!



Roll the dice. What number did you get?  
Roll it again. Was it more or less than the first roll? Or the same? How can we check?  
What is 1 more/less?  
What 2 digit numbers can you make?  
What is the total amount of those dice?  
Can you subtract one number from the other? Or what's the difference between the numbers?

## Personal, Social, Emotional Development

We will be learning to:

- Develop the children's positive attitudes towards school, friends, and themselves
- Persevere and not give up.
- Make meaningful relationships with their friends and finding their own solutions for any friendship problems they may have.

*At home you could:*

- Practise turn taking with family members using timers etc., encourage your child to try new things such as different foods, read stories about different feelings and discuss why the character feels that way

## Physical Development

We will be using Real PE this term, focusing on working together, moving through space safely, balance and more!

We will be learning to:

- Jump and landing safely.
- Negotiate space, moving our bodies .
- Balance.
- keep healthy and fit by learning about exercise and nutrition

*At home you could:*

- Ensure your child eats healthy and nutritious meals, and understands the importance of this.
- Encourage your child to take part in physical activity on a daily basis. This should include exercise for strong bones, such as jumping and running.

## Understanding the World

We will be learning about:

- Different locations around the world, such as Polar Regions, Jungles, Deserts, etc.
- Investigating answers to questions arising from our learning, such as "How do animals stay warm in the snow?"

*At home you could:*

- Go on a walk around the local area and compare it to the locations we are learning about
- Check out BBC Bitesize or Espresso linked to our weekly topics

## RE

We will be learning:

- That Christians believe God created the world;
- That Christians believe we are all borrowing the world from God and are looking after it while we are alive on Earth;
- How everyone can help care for our world.

*At home you could:*

- Go on nature walks and observe all of God's beautiful creations.

## Expressive Arts & Design

We will be learning to:

- develop skills by singing songs, making music, dancing, and experimenting with ways of changing music.
- safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.

*At home you could:*

- Take part in lots of art and craft activities, such as making pirate eye patches, hats and telescopes.

## ICT

We will be learning to:

- Select and use technology for a purpose
- Take photos of work we are proud of using the iPad
- Recognising technology we use at home and school

