



# Reception Curriculum News

## Autumn Term

We have launched into our first topic – 'I am Unique'. We are spending lots of time getting to know each other and learning more about our friends. We will be using a range of books to help us understand about ourselves and those who are important to us. This term some of our favourite five stories are *The Tiger who came to Tea*, *The Three Little Pigs*, *Norman the Slug with a Silly Shell*, and *The Bumble Bear*. Parents are able to help their child understand the themes of these stories by sharing them at home together.

### Communication, Language and Literacy

We will be learning to:

- Explore different ways to listen carefully to what is being said
- Building our vocabulary and how to ask a range of questions.
- Read and write the set 1 sounds learnt in phonics.
- Describe characters and discuss what is happening in a story.
- Recognise and write your own name independently.

At home you can:

- Read with you child asking question to develop their understanding.
- Practise reading and writing your Set 1 sounds.

### Maths

We are learning to:

- count, order, compare, double, halve, group and split objects and numbers to 5.
- Recognise and use mathematical names of shapes as well as mathematical terms to describe the shapes.

At home you can:

- Go on a shape and/or number hunt.
- Play hide and seek; encouraging your child to count.
- Inviting your child to bake or cook helping to measure out ingredients.



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?



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!

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?



Play board games like 'Snakes & Ladders'. A fun and exciting way to celebrate family night! Also a fantastic way to reinforce counting!

## Personal, Social, Emotional Development

We will be learning to:

- Work as part of a group and form positive relationships with adults and our peers.
- Develop an understanding of feelings; both our own and our peers by treating each other with respect.
- Develop an understanding of classroom and school wide rules to create a fun and safe learning space.

At home you can:

- Encourage your child's friendships by having play dates in a safe space outside of school.

## Physical Development

We will be learning to:

- Run skilfully and negotiate space successfully.
- To adjust our speed and direction to avoid obstacles.
- To become more independent by getting dressed and undressed by for PE so we are ready for our weekly PE sessions. We will start to get undressed for PE after October half term.

At home you can:

- Encourage your child to take part in daily physical activity such as bike riding, going for a walk, playing in the park, taking a scooter to and from the shops, playing ball games in the park.
- Discuss with your child the importance of eating healthy and balanced diet.

## Understanding the World

We are learning to:

- Remember and talk about significant events in our own lives such as holidays, and the things that are important to us.
- Develop an understanding of changes over time.
- Learning about people in our local community that help us such as doctors, nurses and the fire service.

At home you can:

- Take your child to the library and learn about the fascinating topics to share with your peers.
- Take a trip to the Natural History Museum!
- Talk to your mums, dads and grandparents about their childhoods.

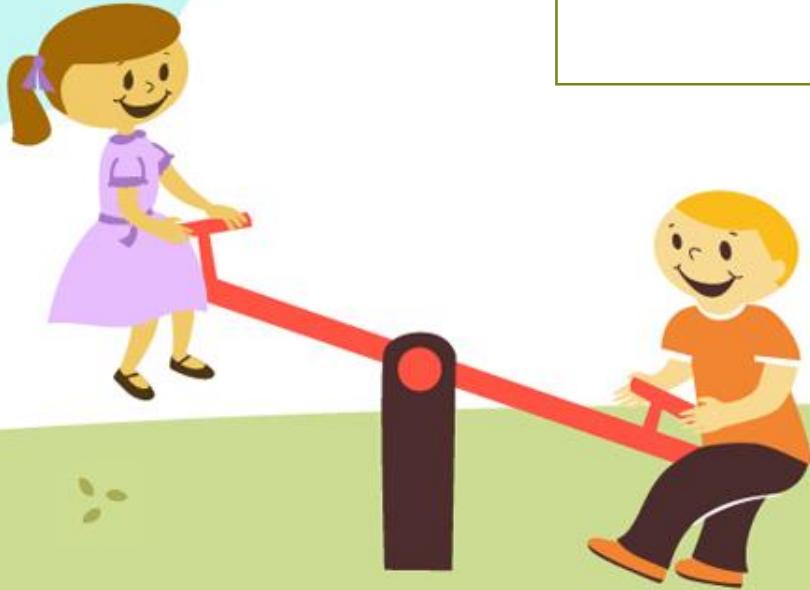
## Expressive Arts & Design

We will be learning to:

- Mix primary colours to create secondary colours.
- Use materials provided to create different types of artwork.
- Talk about our work and discuss what makes it special.

At home you can:

- Experiment with different arts and crafts encouraging your child to do it as independently as possible.



## RE

We will be learning:

- Why people in our life are special.
- How everyone can help care for our world.
- About the meaning of Christmas.

At home you could:

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