

Curriculum Newsletter

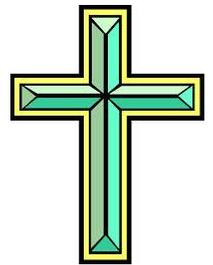
Reception

Spring Term

Religious Education

In RE we are learning about

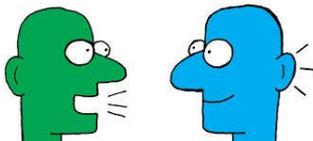
- Celebrations and how people celebrate something special through the Epiphany. We will also look at how this is celebrated in the parish.
- Gathering; we begin by exploring why and how people gather together and we will learn the story of Jesus and the Little Children.
- Giving; we will learn that Lent is a time to grow more like Jesus. We will listen to the story of the Last Supper and the events that followed.



Personal, Social and Emotional

In PSED we will talk about things we can do and what makes us special. Children will be encouraged to attempt to resolve any disagreements with others. We are also going to be learning about how to keep safe in everyday life, we will be introduced to the 'PANTS' rule and the Pantosaurus is going to show us some lovely songs and rhymes to help us remember the rules.

Communication and Language



We will continue to practise staying on task during an activity and try to listen to others as we do our work. In our role play areas we will be encouraged to use new language and vocabulary with the help of visual aids to create imaginative role play. We will also listen to stories in our listening area and we will try to recall the stories.

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Physical Development

In PD we will be explore travelling in different ways such as over, under, around and through. We will also be exploring a range of balances.

Literacy



We will continue to read words and simple sentences using our phonics. Rhyming words will be introduced and we will find words that rhyme with other words that we know by changing the beginning of the word. Now that we can hold our pencils properly we will do lots of writing.



Mathematics

In Mathematics we will be learning how to add and find 'one more'. We will also familiarise ourselves with all the words that relate to adding. 'Time' will be covered as we learn the days of the week, discuss what happens at different points of the day and begin to tell the time (o'clock). In addition, we will begin to learn about 2D/3D shapes and their properties.



Understanding the world



We are learning about similarities and differences in the world and how things change. We are currently using the Interactive White Board and class computers to support our computing skills and we will be starting to use the beebots very soon. We will continue to go to the Litten Nature Reserve and complete activities linked to our topics.

Expressive arts and design

In Music we are learning new songs that link with our current topic. We will use percussion instruments during our music lessons and develop our understanding of rhythm. We will be exploring different textures in art, using a variety of materials to create new effects.



Topic

Our topics are planned around the children's interests and as a result the theme might change slightly over the coming weeks. Our general theme for this half term is 'Around the World', including Space and we have set up a Travel Agency in our

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role play areas to inspire the children. Next half term our theme will be 'Animals and their Habitats'.