

Communication and Language

This term we will be developing our listening and attention skills by learning active listening strategies. We will learn to follow instructions and how to ask questions. We will join in with rhymes and songs. We will share books through daily story time and will retell our favourite stories using our own words. Our key stories this term are 'The Three Little Pigs', 'Stick Man' and 'Billy and the Beast'. We will also begin to take home reading books home from our reading scheme to share with adults.

Our Curriculum

Overview

Autumn 2026

Reception



Phonics

We will learn our Phase 2 phonic sounds this term using the Animaphonics programme. (s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k, ck, e, u, r, h, b, f, ff l, ll and ss) We will also practise how to form these letters correctly. We will learn to identify the grapheme (letter) and the sounds (phoneme) We will learn to blend sounds into words.

RE- Discerning Disciples

Our RE branches this term are Creation and Covenant and Prophecy and Promise. We will learn the words and actions for the sign of the cross. We will also learn about Creation and think about how God created us and the world. We will also learn how we enter God's family through the sacrament of Baptism. In RSHE, we will be sharing stories linked to religious understanding and the unit "Me, My Body and My Health" using Ten:Ten resources. We will begin to recite our school prayers.

Literacy

We will develop our mark making and practise writing our names using the correct formation for each letter. We will also practise using a modified tripod grip when holding a pencil. We will begin to look at print in the environment and letters in our name. We will start to write the sounds we know to represent words when we write and will begin to talk about super sentences. During story time, we will learn about the roles of an author and an illustrator.

Maths

This term in maths we will investigate the numerals 1.2 and 3 and develop a deep understanding of these numbers. We will carry out lots of counting activities and count objects, actions and sounds. We will develop the key skills of accurate counting, including saying the numbers in order and matching one number name to each object. We will also learn to subitise to 5 (instantly recognise a quantity without counting)

Understanding the World

We will celebrate different autumn festivals such as Diwali, Firework Night and Christmas. We will carry out a Science investigation linked to our core text 'The Three Little Pigs' We will become familiar with our school environment and learning how to get to different parts of the school. We will also explore the changing seasons and observe how our environment changes during Autumn and Winter. We will also learn about our senses and use them to carry out some investigations. We will draw simple maps of our visit to Scots Lane to remind us of what we have seen.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term we will focus on getting to know our rules and routines. We will learn our school expectations; Be Ready, Be Safe, Be Respectful. We will explore our indoor and outdoor environments, become familiar with our new classrooms and meet new friends. We will explore different emotions and learn to share our thoughts and feelings.

Physical Development

We will build up our finger strength and co-ordination through funky fingers, pencil control tasks and other fine motor activities (small movements) e.g. using peg boards, tweezers etc. In PE and in the outdoor area, we will learn to travel safely in a variety of ways e.g. hopping, skipping, running and jumping. We will also focus on our listening skills and developing our spatial awareness.
PE will be on a Friday so please wear PE kits to school.