

Reception – What are we learning in Spring 2024?

Topic

During this term, we will be exploring 'Our World'. We will be investigating different places around the world, looking at different habitats, weathers and animals that exist and comparing these to our local area.

We will explore many texts including *Somebody Swallowed Stanley*, *The Smeds and The Smoos*, *Martha Maps It Out*, *The Journey Home* and various non-fiction texts.

Meet the Team

Miss Nunn – Class Teacher
Mrs Alnajjar – Specialised Early Years Teaching Assistant
Mrs Bowmer – Teaching Assistant
Miss Lindley – Teaching Assistant

Literacy

This term we will be focusing on developing our phonics knowledge further and applying this through written activities. These will include creating posters, using descriptions and beginning to write full sentences using full stops, capital letters and finger spaces.

Communication and Language

We will be practising maintaining attention, concentrating, and sitting quietly during appropriate activities. We will continue to listen and respond to ideas expressed by others in conversation and discussion.

Christian Value for half term – Friendship

RE

We will be focusing on why the word God is important to Christians and why Easter is special to Christians.

Mathematics

We will be continuing to represent and building numbers to 10, beginning to explore addition by the end of the term! We will also be exploring 3D shapes, comparing their properties to 2D shapes. We will also investigate length, height, mass and time.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be increasing our confidence this term when speaking in a group and trying new activities. We will develop our resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge and show enthusiasm when engaging in certain activities.

Key Information

In Class 1, we promote a love for reading and we ask that you continue to do this at home by reading daily with your child either using Bug Club, their reading book or any other book at home!

In Class 1 we will be enriching our learning outdoors, encouraging the children to learn through exploration, investigation and inquiry. We will be using play and imagination to develop socially, emotionally, physically.

Understanding of the World

This term we will begin to develop our understanding of different points on the Earth by exploring maps and drawing information and recognising similarities and differences between where we live and other places around the world.

PSHE

We will be exploring our dreams and goals within our PSHE. We will explore setting our own goals, discussing our achievements and considering how it feels when we complete our goals. We will also reflect on how we can keep our minds and bodies healthy.

Outdoor Learning will be on a Friday afternoon – please can children bring appropriate clothes and footwear for the weather and the mud!

PE will be on Mondays - please can children arrive to school in their PE kits.

Expressive Art and Design

We will continue to sing familiar songs in Class One regularly whilst dancing and playing ring games. We will be selecting tools and using techniques need to shape, assemble and join materials we ae using, understanding that different media can be combined to create new effects.