

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will explore a variety of techniques in making art work based around the theme of sunflowers. We will also be developing lots of creative skills linked to our mini beast topic. In music we will be having sessions with our specialist music teacher, Mrs Watson. We are hopeful that we will be able to perform some of the songs to family towards the end of the year. The children will learn songs and actions using the scheme 'Charanga' in Music lessons.

Physical Development

In their PE sessions, children will continue to develop their movement and co-ordination skills. We will also be talking about the importance of healthy food and exercise in our everyday life. The children will continue to develop their fine motor control, in particular focusing on using pencils and forming letters correctly.

Understanding the World

Our main topics this term are;

- **It's Alive – (Plants and Mini Beasts)**
- **Around the World**

We will be finding out about how animals and plants grow and change. We have planted lots of flowers and vegetables and we will watch them grow and hopefully taste some of our produce! In Summer 2 we will learn about different people and places in the world around us.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will be thinking about various changes that they experience and will explore and discuss the different feelings linked to these changes. The children will also cover work, appropriate to their age group, from our 'HRSE' programme. Learning to share and play cooperatively continues to be a focus as well as staying safe.

Reception Class Curriculum Newsletter Summer 2021



Dear Parents,

This newsletter gives an overview of what will be happening in Reception this term. The Reception team are looking forward to working with the children during this final term. The year has certainly been different with Covid measures and remote learning but we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support. Weekly updates on the website will continue to give more detailed information and we will also aim to regularly upload photos too. Mrs Cath Pickup

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Our themes this term are;

- **New Life**
- **The Church**

We will be learning about the events surrounding Easter and talking about the importance of these. We will also be learning about the story of the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. We will learn about church and mass and we will visit church.

Communication and Language and Literacy

We aim to develop confident readers and writers who are always eager to have a go themselves. We will be continuing to **focus on phonic skills** this term particularly working on transferring the children's phonic knowledge into their writing, encouraging children to **have a go at independent writing at every opportunity!** The children will continue to read and write **'tricky words'** this term; words that cannot be sounded out and therefore must be learnt by sight. The children are all making fantastic progress with their reading; please continue to support and encourage this by spending some time each day hearing your child read. It is beneficial if you can share lots of other books with your child too as the scheme only plays a small part in their development as a reader.

Mathematics

This term we will continue to work with numbers from one to twenty and say which number is one more or one less than a given number. They will add and subtract using practical apparatus, number tracks and number lines. They will learn to count on and count back to find an answer. We will look at doubling, halving and sharing through practical activities. The children will also use their developing knowledge and skills to make estimations and solve practical problems that involve combining groups of 2,5 or 10. The children will be using and extending their mathematical vocabulary to talk about and explore weight, capacity and money.