



Curriculum News

Term: Autumn Two

Class: Reception

Topic: Let's Celebrate

Literacy

Comprehension, Word Reading and Writing

Throughout this half term we will learn how to:

- Read and write sounds;
- Read and write Phase Two CVC words;
- Read and write simple captions;
- Independently apply our reading and writing skills into our play based learning.

Supersonic Phonic Friends

This half term the children will advance to 'The Basics Two'. Please keep your eyes open for the weekly newsletters.

Reading Books

Our school expectation is that the children must read daily and there must be 3 adult signatures in their reading record per week.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Self Regulation, Managing Self and Building Relationships

During this half term we will be focussing upon:

- Effectively using equipment and activities;
- Feelings and emotions;
- Zones of Regulation;
- Manners - saying good morning, goodbye, please, thank you and you're welcome;
- Friendships - building upon current friendships and making new friends;
- Making choices - where would I like to play? Who would I like to play with? What would I like for snack? What would I like for my lunch?
- Initiating conversations;
- Talking to peers and adults.

We will continue to develop our understanding of:

- Our school and classroom rules and routines;
- The school code of conduct;
- Attitude to learning - how can we be superstars?

Mathematics

Number and Numerical Patterns

At Sacred Heart we follow the White Rose Maths Scheme of Work for Mathematics teaching.

Week 1 - Subitising

Week 2 - Comparing sets of objects.

Week 3 - Counting; one to one correspondence and cardinality.

Week 4 - Comparing; similarities and differences.

Week 5 - Composition: parts and whole.

Week 6 - Composition of 3, 4 and 5.

Week 7 - Counting: ordinality and cardinality.

Week 8 - Christmas Preparations

Home Learning

Please remember homework is set weekly on Google Classroom. Home learning tasks are set on a Wednesday and should be returned by the following Tuesday. Home learning allows the children to practise and consolidate the skills they are learning in the classroom.



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Understanding the World

Past and Present, People and Communities and The Natural World

This half term our topic is "Let's Celebrate". During this topic we will learn about:

- Bonfire Night - why and what do we celebrate on Bonfire Night?
- Remembrance Day - who do we remember on this special day?
- Diwali - why and what do Hindu's on Diwali?
- Birthdays - why and what do we celebrate when it is our birthday?

During this topic we will read a range of books including - 'The Gunpowder plot', 'The Story of Rama and Sita' and Cake by Sue Hendra. We will also learn some poppy poetry.

Religious Education

Physical Development

Fine Motor Skills and Gross Motor Skills

Indoor PE lessons will take place on a Thursday and will be delivered by Mr Barlow. **Every Monday your child/ children must come to school dressed in their PE kit.**

This half term Mr Barlow's lessons will focus upon Health Related Exercise.

On Friday the children will take part in a handwriting session - if your child is writing at home, please ensure that letters are formed correctly. See the handwriting rhymes that were sent out in September.

Whilst in our indoor and outdoor classroom the children will have continuous access to resources which will develop both their fine and gross motor skills.

"Without adequate gross motor strength, coordination and control, it becomes very difficult to master fine motor skills, such as buttoning a shirt, cutting with scissors, and taking off shoes."

Expressive Arts and Design

Creating with Materials and Being Imaginative and Expressive

This half term our topic is "Let's Celebrate". During this topic we will create:

- Firework drawings;
- Poppies;
- Rangoli Patterns;
- Diya Lamps;
- Birthday crowns.

We will create all of these things using a variety of media and materials.

The children will also have continuous access to resources that support and develop their imaginative play both in our indoor and outdoor classroom environment.

During this half term Reception will be learning songs for our Infant Nativity Musical - A Miracle in Town. More details about this event will follow.

"Imagination is more important than knowledge."
Albert Einstein