



Curriculum Overview



Reception

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Creation God's gifts
People who care for us
Advent
Christmas



During the Autumn Term the children learn how to make the Sign of the Cross and learn our school prayers.

They learn about the special book called the Bible and that some of the stories inside are about Jesus. They learn that the stories are called the Gospel and we welcome the Gospel by singing Alleluia.

Every child is paired with a Year 5 "Prayer Friend" to help and guide them.

They learn all about Creation and that God made them. They learn how to say thank you for their health, senses and for the gifts that God has given them.

Also the children learn that Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas. They make an Advent Promise and learn the Nativity story. The children learn songs and take part in a Nativity Play.

Physical Development



During the Autumn Term the children through P.E lessons, learn how to warm up their bodies, follow instructions and find different ways of traveling.

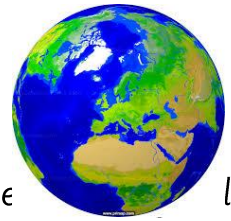
They will become confident, moving freely and learn how to negotiate space whilst running, adjusting speed and being able to stop safely.

Children will become aware of the importance of a healthy life style – exercise, eating, sleeping and hygiene.

Also they will learn how to hold and use a pencil correctly as they draw lines, circles and begin to correctly form recognisable letters.

They will learn how to use scissors and other tools safely, correctly and with increasing control.

Understanding the world



During the Autumn Term the children will focus on learning about themselves. They will learn about their senses, learn about how to be healthy and how to be hygienic.

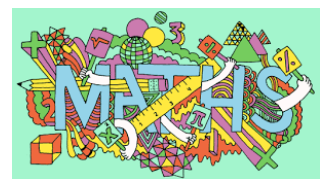
The children will learn how to operate the CD player, cameras, how to use the Interactive board and use programmes on the computer.

The children will also talk about and learn about people who are familiar to them. They will learn about different occupations in school. They will learn how they are similar to others and how they are different.

As part of our learning about our local area this term, children will be learning all about Birmingham and what makes our city great. They will learn about Kingshurst and the surrounding areas and also about the local landmarks and the cultural history associated with Birmingham. Individual classes will visit local points of historical enquiry to develop children's ability to ask pertinent questions about the past, analyse evidence, think critically, appreciate different perspectives and develop informed judgements.

The children will learn about different Festivals, Special Days, Feast Days and Celebrations in different cultures and religions. This term they will learn about Christmas and Diwali.

Mathematical development



During the Autumn Term the children focus on counting 1:1, recognising and ordering numbers. They become confident using numbers in their play, matching the numeral with the correct quantity and realising that not only objects but anything can be counted.

The children will focus on comparing different sets. They will use words like 'more', 'less', 'fewer' and 'the same'.

They will explore different shapes and learn the properties of 2D and 3D shape. They will be learning how to use every day language to talk about time. They will learn to use prepositions and describe the position like 'behind' or 'next to'.

Expressive Arts and Design



The children will explore colour and how colours can be changed.

They will learn how to use lines to enclose space. They will explore what will happen when they mix colours.

They will build role play around stories and use lots of props to support role play. They will learn how to introduce a story into role play.

The children will learn the names of percussion instruments and how to use them. They will learn how to make loud/ quiet sounds and how to make their voices loud/quiet.

They will learn how to tap out repeated rhythms and explore how sounds can be changed. They will learn how to move in response to music.

Children will sing familiar songs and learn new ones – singing individually and in a group.

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Communication, Language and Literacy



The children will learn how to listen to instructions, follow routines, interact with adults and children, share their news and listen and respond to others.

During the Autumn Term the children will explore rhyming words, learn sounds and learn how to word build with them. They will listen to and learn Nursery rhymes. They will listen to stories and talk about different parts of the story, the front and back cover, pictures, title and the characters.

They will learn how to hold books carefully and the direction of the text. They will learn how to point to the text as they read.

They will learn how to form letter shapes, how to write letters from their name holding their pencil correctly. They will explore and use different types of media as they learn to write words.