



Come and See

We deliver Religious Education through the Come and See programme.

Our Come and See topics for this term include 'Hanukkah' and 'Birthdays'. We look at the birth of Jesus and each class will participate in a performance of the Nativity (see dates above).

Physical Development

We have introduced bikes, scooters and our mud kitchen to develop both our gross and fine motor skills.

We will be doing lots of digging, as we will be planting bulbs ready for Spring.

PSED

This term we are continuing to develop our personal, social and emotional skills. Through games and play we will encourage turn taking and negotiating skills. These may be done within the classroom or the outdoor environment. We are encouraging the children to take turns when speaking and listening, as many can find this difficult.

Communication and Language

Children's spoken language underpins every area of their learning and development. We foster a language rich environment and encourage discussion and interaction at every opportunity.

Phonics

We have started our Phonics programme, Little Wandle. A booklet will go home every Friday, to show you what graphemes and phonemes we have covered during the week. We encourage you to support your child completing this booklet, looking for the sounds in the environment, books they are reading, etc. as this will help them when we start our reading books. During our phonics sessions, we do lots of oral blending, sounding out words and the children have to blend them together.

Physical Development

We have introduced our physical trolley into our outdoor area which has hoola hoops, skipping ropes, bats and balls, etc plus our Basketball net, bikes and scooters.

Mathematics



We teach a love of Maths through practical hands on experiences for the children and will be following White Rose Maths this year. Over this half term, we cover Composition and comparing of 1,2,3, representing numbers to 5, looking at 5 frames, composition and comparing of 4, 5, circles, triangles, squares and rectangles.

Phonemes and digraphs covered s,a,t,p,i,n,m,d,g,o,c,k, ck,r,h,b,f,ff,l,ll,j,v,w,x,y,z

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

Literacy

This term we will be learning about spiders, reading information texts and a poem. We will also be doing Nursery Rhymes to help us hear and recognise rhyming words (National Nursery Rhyme week is 14th November), focusing on Humpty Dumpty, 1,2,3,4,5, Twinkle Twinkle , 5 Little Speckled Frogs. We read Owl Babies

Towards the end of the term we will link our literacy to Advent/Christmas- making lists, writing cards and letters to Father Christmas.



Understanding the World

We have learned information about Spiders, using non fiction text and we find out lots of facts about them, we looked for them in our environment, observed their webs. During this half term, we will read Owl Babies and learn things about owls. We will also discuss the changes in our weather and discuss the different seasons. We will be planting spring bulbs in our outdoor area– look out for them then!



Snack Money

Thank you to everyone who has started paying snack money (£1.50 per child, per week), this term £10.50

Autumn half term 2- £10.50

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Expressive Arts and Design

We have introduced a Craft Table in our shared area. This encourages the children be creative with a variety of resources and media—such as tissue paper, card, wool, gems, boxes, tubes, etc

We are teaching the children skills such as cutting, tearing, scrunching and different joining skills.

Forest School

Each week a group of children from each class will go to our Forest School, within the school grounds. Here they can enjoy the freedom of nature. They will learn many new skills. Whilst in the woods they will look closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur, and talk about changes. They will learn the awe and wonder of our amazing world, and discuss things that they can do to help look after it.

Although we provide waterproofs, please make sure your child has their wellies and suitable accessories during winter months ie hat scarf, thick socks, etc. All clearly labelled please.

Polite notice

We kindly ask that the children **do not** bring a back pack into school as we have no room to store these. The children only require their book wallet (with long strap removed as this is a trip hazard), water bottle (not to be placed in their book wallet as they can leak), a waterproof coat and a packed lunch if you have chosen not to have a school meal provided for this half term.

If your child is bringing a packed lunch into school, please also provide a drink in their lunchbox as their water bottle is kept in class.

Can we please ask for health and safety reasons that the children do not play in the Reception outdoor, including the climbing frame once collected from school.