



Great Crosby Catholic Primary School

Nursery Curriculum Brochure

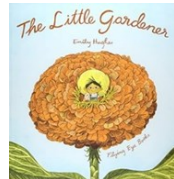
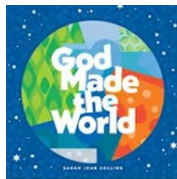
Autumn Term 1 2024



We are really pleased with how well the children are settling into Nursery. Thank you for your support with encouraging the children to come into Nursery independently. Throughout the year we will link learning opportunities to the children's interests. This is a newsletter to inform parents and carers about what the children will be learning this half term.

Religious Education

In Nursery we teach RE by following The Religious Education Directory, 'To Know You More Clearly'. The curriculum is outlined in branches and taught through the lenses Hear, Believe, Celebrate, and Live. This term the branch of learning is 'Creation and Covenant'. We will learn that God made our wonderful world and everything in it, including us. We will learn how we can look after our world.



Prayer and Liturgy

We say daily prayers in Nursery. Children also gather for Prayer and Liturgy to hear stories from the Bible. Children will learn the words and actions of the sign of the cross: 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.'

Communication and Language

We will develop our listening and attention skills during carpet times and through responding to stories that we have read together. We will be learning new songs to sing each day in Nursery and reciting nursery rhymes too. Your child will bring a story home from our class library to share with you at home.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Nursery staff will work hard to ensure that your child feels safe and secure at Nursery. We are enjoying getting to know each of the children. This term, we will explore and familiarise ourselves with the areas of provision within our classroom and our outdoor area. We will learn new daily routines and learn about our school Code of Conduct. Staff will support the children to learn the names of others and help them to make new friends at Nursery.

Physical Development

Physical development is undertaken within our outdoor provision through a range of activities, including using brushes to develop our gross motor skills. Children will develop their movement, balancing, riding (scooters, trikes and bikes) and climbing up apparatus.

Literacy

We focus on a different Nursery rhyme each week through 'Little Wandle Foundations'. We will be learning, Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, Mary, Mary Quiet Contrary, The Grand Old Duke of York, and many more. We will be sharing lots of stories about starting Nursery. Also, we will learn more about ourselves and our families. A key text we will share will be 'Happy To Be Me'. There will be lots of opportunities for early mark making, indoors and outdoors.



Understanding the World

Children will use all their senses in hands on exploration of natural materials. We will plant seeds and flowers and learn how to care for growing plants. We will be making connections between the features of our own families and of other families. We will learn about similarities and differences between ourselves and others.



Mathematics

We follow 'White Rose Maths' scheme across the school. In Nursery we teach a love of Mathematics through practical hands on activities and experiences, read texts linked to concepts and sing rhymes. This term we will be focusing on comparisons (More than, fewer than, the same), explore and build with shapes and objects, notice patterns and hear and say number names.



Expressive Arts and Design

We will draw self portraits and look at our features closely. We will also explore transient art, using loose parts to create faces, emotions and patterns.



Reminders

- We ask that your child brings a book bag into Nursery each day with them so that they can bring home a class library book. They can be purchased from the school office. We kindly ask that water bottles are not put into book bags as they can sometimes leak and damage books.
- It is also helpful if your child has some spare underwear and clothing in case of any accidents. This can be left in school in a clearly labelled carrier bag.
- We go outside in all weathers so please provide a pair of wellington boots for your child if you have not done so already. These will be stored on our boot racks. The children will also require a waterproof coat.
- Please ensure that all of your child's belongings are clearly **labelled** with their first name and surname. All uniform needs to be labeled, including shoes, water bottles, book bags and lunch bags/boxes.

Snack Money

Thank you to those who have paid snack money so far. Snack money is £1.50 per child, per week. The amount due this term is:

Part time (15hrs) - £9.00 Full time (30 hrs) - £18.00 Thank you!

Home School Link

We would love it if you could send some photographs into Nursery.

- A family photograph to display in our home corner.
- A photograph of the front of your house for our small world area.

Please could you return your child's 'All about me' and home time collection sheets to school if you haven't already done so.

Thank you

Dates for diary

School Photo 1st, 2nd and 3rd October

We would like to welcome parents and carers to a '**Stay and Read**' sessions with your child. We will send out invitation to inform you which session to attend with your child.

Tuesday 15th October

Wednesday 16th October

Thursday 17th October