

Reception Curriculum overview Summer 2 2026

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(To Know You More Clearly)

Dialogue and Encounter

Children will explore teaching and learning about other Christian Denominations. They will celebrate their own faith and reflect on what they have learnt over the year.

Physical development

Fine motor skills: Hold a pencil effectively in preparation or fluent writing, create precise and careful drawings and letter formation.

Gross motor skills: Shows co-ordination and control climbing on a frame and PE equipment. Hold a balance and throw a ball accurately.

Personal, Social & Emotional development

Managing feelings and behaviour, making relationships, self-confidence and self-awareness.

We will be reflecting on our progress over the year and celebrating our achievements. The children will be doing work around their transition to one, focusing on how things change and how we can cope with these changes.

Communication & Language

Speaking, listening and understanding:

We will be focusing on our listening skills. Encouraging the children to listen carefully in a range of situations and be aware of the importance of being an active listener. listening.

English

Reading: For Drawing club we will be reading stories around the seaside and summer. Our first story being The Storm Whale.

Writing: Children are to practise using their phonic knowledge to write short sentences and captions for a purpose and with pleasure.

Phonics: children are focusing on reading and writing ccvcc words (for example, crash & church) as well as embedding prior knowledge. We will focus on High Frequency Words.

Maths

This half term we will learn about:

- Sharing and grouping numbers
- Visualising, building and mapping numbers (exploring the 3ness of 3, the 8ness of 8 etc.)
- Consolidating our understanding of number to 20.

Understanding the World

Children will order familiar events and talk about the future and what our next steps are. We will encourage children to show an interest in what people do in our community, including people who help us. We will also be focusing on the season summer.

Expressive arts and design

We will be focusing on process over product. Children will continue to develop their cutting, threading, manipulation and joining skills in this unit. This will culminate in each child creating something with a purpose.

Events & celebrations

Keep your eye on the school website for dates.

Learning Life skills

A focus this half term is for children to build up their resilience skills when facing change. We will be doing transition days to Year 1 and doing lots of social stories and role play about changes.

Learning in the environment

All children will be encouraged to do more independent writing and mark making in their play. This will include writing lists, instructions and labelling.

Children will also be encouraged to make more precise choices in their play when choosing materials and resources to create something. Eg. If a child is making a tower, we will look at what height, how many blocks they might use and how they plan to achieve their goal.

Family Learning

Please buy a book bag from our office as they are now available, they cost £3.50. We will be sending home readers that will be changed every Friday.

We also have a big focus on talk time this year. This is quick and easy for you to support at home! Have a talk about what you can see on the way to school, what you're making for lunch or what your plans are for the weekend! It all supports their learning.

