

Bluebell (Nursery) Curriculum overview Autumn 1 2026



RE (To Know You More Clearly)

Creation and Covenant

We will be learning that God made our beautiful world and everything in it. We will also be learning that God made me. We will be learning how to make the sign of the Cross.

Physical development

Fine motor skills: Opportunities to mark make using different resources (sand, paint, shaving foam etc), cutting, weaving, paper craft, building, sorting, threading beads etc.

Gross motor skills: running, climbing, stretching, walking up/down stairs, travelling on different parts of the body.

Personal, Social & Emotional development

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

Children will have opportunities to develop relationships with new staff and make new friendships. Teachers will be supporting children with settling in, transition periods and problem solving.

Communication & Language

Speaking, listening and understanding:

Opportunities to talk about ourselves, the things we do and don't like in school and our interests. We will be learning to listen to each other and our teachers. We will be learning to follow some new routines and instructions. Our listening skills will be improved through the use of stories and nursery rhymes.

English

Reading: We will be listening to stories and talking about what we have read.

Writing: We are developing our gross motor skills.

Phonics: We are tuning into sounds around us, developing our listening skills and learning lots of nursery rhymes.

Maths

Numeracy:

More than, fewer than, same.
Explore and build with shapes and objects.

Understanding the world

We will be looking at the seasonal changes through exploration of Autumn. We will be exploring the senses that we use (sight, smell, touch, taste and sound).

Expressive arts and design

We will be painting our portraits, pictures of things we like, making collages using a range of media and learning a repertoire of new songs.

Events & celebrations

Parents' evenings, whole school and class assemblies, theme days etc. including dates are always added to the calendar on the school website. Please check the website regularly.

Learning in the environment

We will be learning all about how to protect and respect our environment. We will be exploring the seasonal changes of autumn in our garden. The children will take an active role in caring for our outdoor environment and learning the responsibilities of looking after our pond fish.

Learning Life-skills

We will be developing our social skills through our settling-in-period this half term. It is very important for our children to begin their school year feeling safe, secure and trusting all the adults who will be supporting them during this transition into full time school.

Family Learning

One of the key things we will be working on is our independence. We would ask that you could please support your child to be able to put their own coat on and once you have clipped the zip in they can practise zipping it up.

