

A commitment to excellence within a caring, Christian environment. 'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me' - Philippians 4:13





## Curriculum Overview for Autumn Term 2023

## Autumn 1 Topic- Marvellous Me Autumn 2 Topic- Terrific Tales

 led tasks, allowing for all children to get the most from their environment. We plan our curriculum to focus on the following seven areas -

Prime areas: Personal, Social, Emotional Development, Communication \& Language, Physical development
Specific areas: Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World, Expressive art and design.
Below you will see an overview of our Autumn term within these areas.

Prime Area: Personal, Social, Emotiona
Development (PSED)
School routine.
Feeling posters.
Sharing.
Dressing independently How to tidy up.
Starting school story books. Taking tums.
Getting to know each other, talking about family. Making relationships and knowing others names.

Modelling how to use things, play games
PSHE- Personal, Social, Health Education

Specific Area: Literacy (reading and Writing)
Read Write Inc Phonics scheme

Children participate in phonics lessons every day.
Children will focus on Set 1 phonics sounds- recognition and writing of each sound
Writing names

Writing sounds and simple CVC words
Labelling parts of the body Labelling family members Mark making and ascribing meaning to marks they make. Book of the week writing focus. Story time before home
everyday.

Traditional tales.

How to support your child at home:
Reading_Develop a love of reading by reading a story every day with your child. Practise the phonic sounds given out each week.
Writing_Support your child to write the letters in their name. Write for a range of purposes.
Maths Numbers $1-5$. Match and sort games. Shapes.

Prime Area: Communication and Language (CL)
Listening to stories about school / ourselves /
families/traditional tales.
Talking about likes/dislikes.
Recognising similarities and differences.
Talking about family/drawing family / labelling family Naming body parts.
Talking about how we have changed since we were babies Develop listening skills.


Specific Area: Mathematics Number rhymes \& stories
Count reliably up to ten everyday objects from different starting points.
Recognise and write numerals 0 to 10 with correct formation.

## Match and sort objects.

Recognise and name simple 2D shapes.
To recognise and complete a repeating pattern
Understand simple positional language.
Repeating patterns.

## RE - weekly lessons:

Enquiry 1: What happens in a Harvest festival? Enquiry 2: What is the Christmas story about?

Our Values for the Autumn Term are

Prìme Area: Physical Development (PD) Developing preference for dominant hand Cutting skills.
Fine motor activities.
Putting on own coats.
Getting dressed and undressed
Talking about keeping healthy Healthy eating
Managing personal hygiene independently. Developing the understanding of how to keep safe and how to use different tools and materials appropriately
Two PE lessons per week

Specific Area: Understanding the World Looking at similarities and differences in class and
comparing to families around the world
Looking after babies - how is it different to looking after ourselves? Past and Present - how we have changed? What has happened in our past? (when we were smaller).

How toys have changed through time?
Family customs - birthdays.
Festivals - Harvest and Christmas

Specific Area: Expressive Arts and Design
Role play area Small world toys.
Paining portraits of themselves and family
Colour mixing
Introduction of simple tools and how to use effectively Singing songs. Nursery rhymes.
Exploring musical instruments


## $>$ Read Write Inc

> Ditty lessons start with introduction of new phoneme

- Previously learnt phonemes are revised
$>$ Reading and writing words with the phoneme in
$>$ Reading Ditty books
> Writing words and phrases


Speed Sounds Set 1

These are the Speed Sounds in set 1. The children will learn a sound a day and bring home a handwriting sheet to support their learning.

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Useful videos to support learning at home:

- RWI for parents channel
- Oxford Owl - online books - link will be added to Tapestry
-When the children receive Read Write Inc books they will be largely phonetically decodable books which the children have read and explored during the week. They read at home to practise fluency and expression.
>Soon the children will be given Read Write Inc Book Bag Books these give extra practice of the sounds they have been learning that week.
-Library books - it's really important that they have access to higher level books to support love of books and to aid with inference and vocabulary skills. These are for sharing at home.


-Complete reading records so we can see what the children have been doing at home.
$>$ Introduce your child to a variety of genres, such as poetry, newspapers, fiction, nonfiction, etc.
$>$ Talk about what you have read - ask your child questions: retrieval, inference, opinion.
> Oxford Owl online - free e-books at their own RWI level.


$>$ As writing is linked to speech, please engage your child in conversation, encouraging them to speak clearly and effectively, in simple sentences.
$>$ Model correct pronunciation back to them.
$>$ Practise handwriting on the lines, keeping letters proportionate in size and with finger spaces.
$>$ Correct pencil grip.
$>$ Ensure letters are formed correctly using correct handwriting style.
$>$ Help model the difference between capitals and lowercase letters, and when to use them.





## Reception | Autumn term | Block 5 - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 | Step 2

## Subitise 4 and 5

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children continue to develop the skill of perceptual subitising. This form of subitising refers to instantly recognising the number of objects or items in a group without needing to count them.

Encourage children to subitise groups of 4 and 5 items. This will allow them to develop an understanding of what each number looks like, and what it is made up of.

Use images and stories that include groups of 4 and 5 characters or objects and point out the groups. Talk about what children see and how they see it. Simple geometric shapes that are all the same size and the same colour, such as dots, are the easiest for children to subitise. Simple activities and games using dot patterns are ideal. It is important that children see these in different arrangements, so that they do not think that 4 is always in a square as it is on a dice, for example.

## Key questions

- How many can you see? How do you know?
- How many are there in each group?
- What can you show me?
- What can you see?


## Possible sentence stems

- There are ___ dots altogether.
- There are $4 / 5$ $\qquad$
- I can see ___ without counting.
- I can subitise $\qquad$


## Books

- Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons by Eric Litwin


## Adult-led learning

Hold up dot plates that show 4 and 5 in different arrangements. Ask children how many dots they see. Children show the correct number of fingers to match the dots.


Give children a dot plate each and encourage them to find someone with the same arrangement as them.

Share stories such os Pete the Cat and his Four $G$ Groory Buttons by ficic Liwwin with children. Encouroge them to subtisise ond notice where they see 4without hoving to count:


Show them a five frame with 4 or 5 buttons. Prompt them to copy it and explain how they know it is 4 or 5

Arrange the numerals $1-5$ on cards around the outdoor area. Give each child a swatter. Hide a quantity of up to 5 bean bags under a bucket and then reveal.


Encourage children to subitise how many bean bags they can see and run to swat the correct number card.

Provide children with picture cards from 1 to 5 Ask children to put the cards in order from 1 to 5 Prompt the group to close their eyes or turn away. Turn over one of the cards to hide it.
Children look at the picture cards and identify which card is missing.


## Links to the curriculum

- Development Matters - Reception - Subitise.
- Birth to 5 Matters - Range 6 - Engages in subitising numbers to four and maybe five.

$>$ Label clothing.
-Check bags and emails for letters and return reply slips please; encourage children to return them themselves.
$>$ Read DASH and school calendar - be prepared for important events.
>Support with homework and reading.
-See website for support \& curriculum information.
>Help children to pack bags to bring correct equipment to school (reading books, reading records, homework, water bottles).
>Get a good night's sleep and eat healthily.
$>$ Teach your children to use cutlery properly
> Ensure children can fasten / unfasten own shoes and take jumpers on and off.



## Tapestry

Tapestry is an online learning journal system.

- There is an app and browser version available.
- We can use it to record children's learning and development using tablet devices and PCs.
- It creates a two way communication between us (the staff), and you (the parents/guardians/carers).
- We can upload media, meaning you can see pictures and videos of what your child is up to whilst they are with us.


The number of observations received will vary. We will ensure you receive updates regularly.

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Websites
>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC qs3cOehDvZkbiEbOj6Drg - Alphablocks channel
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPlwvN0w4qFSP1FILALB92w - Numberblocks channel
https://www.youtube.com/c/JackHartmann/featured- Jack Hartmann does good Maths songs
>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary
>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDe74j1F52zSCiOMSn3zQDSzgu9TrbQ1c RWIf or parents channel
>https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/user/sign up.html - Free online OUP books
$>$ https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/
>http://www.snappymaths.com/
>https://www.topmarks.co.uk/


## EYFS

Baseline and end of year assessments.
$>$ Observations are made through adult led and child-initiated activities throughout the year. Adults will engage with the children and build strong relationships, enabling children to show their full potential in a safe and caring environment.
$>$ RWI - children will be asked to recognise taught sounds and then words to allow them to be grouped appropriately.



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& \text { Worship - } \\
& \text { Monday - Value worship } \\
& \text { Tuesday - Singing worship } \\
& \text { Wednesday - Clergy worship } \\
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Friday Celebration worship - any achievements from outside of school, please bring in to share.
Team points - The children will be placed in a colour team, this allows for children to earn team points and to work as a team on sports day.
Merits - Will be given in Celebration worship on Fridays, each week there is a new theme

## Reading partners / Play leaders

We have reading partners on Tuesday afternoons. Year 6 children are buddied up with Apple class.
Play leaders support the children outside to play games.

## Prayer Space/ Church service

Regular events for children to attend during the school day, children create crafts.
Church services will be held every half term - parents are invited to those their child will be leading.
Studybugs please use before 8:30am
Payments on school gateway

## Harvest Service

bring package food for the Daily Bread Café.
Break times - Fruit or vegetable snack and milk provided.
Lunchtimes - good eating, support given, treat on Friday.
Daily mile - Children will use playground or field to be active.
Exciting things to come .... Visitors, workshops, Pantomime, Summer Infant trip

## Please read DASH

## E-Safety Tips for the home

- Use technology in a high-traffic area of your home.
- Establish limits for which sites and duration.


## Click for more

 tips- Understand the settings and show children how to protect themselves; be familiar with the applications yourself.
- Watch for apps linked to your bank account details.
- Encourage children to report to you with any concerns; refrain from banning them from devices or games as they may not come to you for help in the future.
- These sites provide up to date information on keeping your children safe:
- https://esafetytraining.org/
- https://www.facebook.com/The2johns/


