



Parent Overview

Reception Class: Summer 2018

This overview provides you with information about what your child will be learning during the Summer term. In addition, all pupils will continue to learn about the Catholic Virtues and British Values as appropriate throughout the curriculum. If you require any further information, please feel free to contact your child's class teacher. Thank you.

Communication & Language and Literacy



This term we will be

- Practising consistent application of phonic skills in all independent writing.
- Using capital letters appropriately i.e. at the beginning of sentences and for the start of names.
- Improving general presentation: finger spaces, letters formed correctly and of an appropriate size.
- Writing several sentences for each piece of writing.

Maths



This term we will be

- Consolidating addition and subtraction skills, focusing especially on reading the symbol correctly (+ and -)
- Consolidating understanding of patterns in numbers (twos, fives, 10s etc)
- Using everyday language to talk about periods of time (today, tomorrow, first, next etc)
- Calculating equivalent values with money.

Religious Education



This term we will be

- Finding out about Pentecost and the symbols of the Holy Spirit.
- Saying prayers for Mary during her special month of May.
- Writing our own prayers.
- Preparing for our class Mass (Friday 08/06/18)

Physical Development



This term we will be

- Improving our handwriting, making it small and neat by using strong pencil control.
- Playing team games and following rules of games.
- Preparing for Sports Day! Practising running and obstacle races.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This term we will be

- Starting to prepare for the transition into Year 1. We will be doing more adult led tasks and the school day will become more structured.
- Developing resilience and concentration-even if something is challenging.
- Developing our independence ready for Year 1: e.g. getting our own jumper/cardigan from our drawer for home-time, putting reading packets in the correct container every day without being reminded every day.

Topic

This term our topics are: 'Why do ladybirds have spots?' (1st half term) and 'Who lives in a rock pool?' after the half term holiday.

We will be learning about: During 'Why do ladybirds have spots?' we will be finding out about minibeasts. We will have a fruit and vegetable shop themed role-play area to link in with our main focus text. Our focus texts will be 'The very hungry caterpillar' 'Aargh spider!' and a selection of non-fiction minibeast themed books.

During 'Who lives in a rockpool?' we will be finding out about the seaside and sea creatures. We will also extend this to focus on pirates and mermaids. Our focus texts will be 'The rainbow fish' 'Commotion in the ocean' and 'Captain Flinn and the pirate dinosaurs'

Our school trip will be linked to animals and mini-beast workshops at Twycross zoo on 19th June 2018

Other important information

PE kit will be kept in school for the whole half term. We will send it home for half term holiday week and ask that you return it to school on 04/06/18

PE days are Mondays and Tuesdays- no earrings to be worn please.

Important dates for the term

Thursday 24/05/18- school closes for half term (Friday 25th May INSET day)

Monday 04/06/18- Children return to school after half term (with clean PE kits please!)

Tuesday 19/06/18- Children will go on their class trip to Twycross Zoo

Monday 25/06/18 - INSET day school closed to Children

Tuesday 26/06/18- Sports Day

Friday 20/07/18- Term ends for summer holidays.

How to help at home

- Training and encouraging your child to be as independent as possible in preparation for Year 1, being responsible for their own belongings and thinking about putting things away correctly.
- When writing at home, please make sure your child is not using capital letters in the middle of words. Capital letters are only to be used for the initial letter of names and for the start of sentences please.
- Also when writing at home, encourage correct letter formation and size of letters as well as using finger spaces between words.
- There will be additional homework sent during the term as we prepare the children for Year 1, particularly for spelling and comprehension.

We really appreciate your support from home and it makes a huge impact on your child's progress.