St. Mary's Early Years Unit

Autumn One FS2 - Reception

Literacy



At school, we are reading..











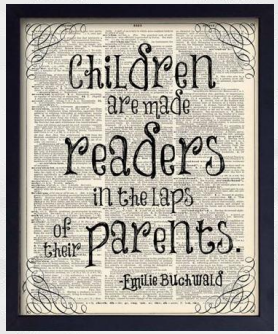


We will be practising lots of squiggles and pre-writing patterns, using lots of different mark making materials.



We will practise writing the letters in our names and give meaning to our marks as we draw and write messages to our friends and teachers.

What is your favourite story at home?



Phonics

We follow the Little Wandle phonics scheme



We will be learning a new letter sound each day. Then we will blend the sounds together to read.
You will be surprised how quickly we learn to read words, especially if you practise at home too.

Maths

We follow the mastery approach to teaching maths, using the **NCETM** scheme. We also use the **White Rose** scheme of work to support our learning in shape and measure.
We will be doing lots of practical investigations around pattern, shapes and size. We will be practising subitising, careful counting and sharing items with our friends too.



R.E.



Theme : God's World
We follow the Lighting the Path curriculum. We will be finding out about the wonderful world that God created for us.

We will be finding out about Harvest Festival in October.



Communication & language

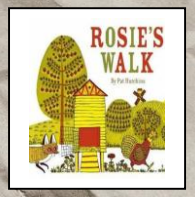
We will be enjoying lots of circle-time activities, where we can talk about our families and the things that we like or dislike.

Your child will bring home an "All about me" bag to fill with a couple of items from home for them to talk about.

Geography links

We will be carrying out fieldwork on our nature walk to explore our school grounds. We will be investigating the physical and human features of our local environment.





As part of Understanding the World we will finding out about our journey to school and about where we live too.

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Expressive Arts & Design



We will be experimenting with colour mixing. We will paint our own colour monster using the colours to show how we feel.

We will be drawing and painting self-portraits, using mirrors to look carefully at our faces first.

DT links

We will be designing our own Christmas cards to be printed. We will be printing our own gift wrapping paper. We will be practising our cutting and joining skills.



Home links
Your child will also have an online learning journal that you can add to.



PSED

We will be working together to make our class a happy place to be. We will be thinking about how we are feeling and how we can be kind and helpful to others too.





Investigating

We will be finding out about ourselves. We will compare heights, hair colour and eye colour.

We will be noticing the changes in the seasons as we explore our outdoor learning environment.

Would you like to bring in anything that you would like to add to our nature table?



Physical development & P.E.

Our P.E. days will be on a **Wednesday** & **Friday**

We will be working with our P.E. coach and our teachers to develop our gross motor skills. We will be focussing on balance and movement this half term. We will be using balance bikes too.

We will be carrying out the Statutory Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA) within the first six weeks of starting school.

If you have any questions you can email me anytime or arrange a meeting.

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