

In Reception we take a child led approach to our teaching and learning. As skilled Early Years practitioners we are able to observe children at play, identify teachable moments and respond to the spontaneous learning that a child demonstrates. We use our knowledge of the child and the Early Years curriculum to move children's learning on and work towards achieving the Early Learning Goals set out in the Early Years Framework. Throughout the year invitations for learning will be set up to draw children's attention and engage them in a world of wonder, exploration and discovery.

Children will also be encouraged to think about how they learn by exploring the 'Characteristics of Effective Learning'. These characteristics will be introduced to the children using dinosaurs. Each dinosaur represents a different characteristic. Once the children are familiar with how they learn they will then be able to move their own learning on and make good progress in all areas of learning and development.

In Reception early phonics, reading and writing is taught using the Read Write Inc. Phonic Programme.

Using the Early Learning goals and early years Framework as a point of reference Maths is planned and taught through continuous and enhanced provision, group sessions and mathematical moments.

We also deliver the 'Think Equal Programme' which is the world's first holistic comprehensive social and emotional learning programme to ensure positive life- long outcomes for inclusion, equality and wellbeing for our children.

Below are some examples of the special events, celebrations etc... that we will set up invitations for throughout the year.





Autumn 1
Settling in- all about children and families
Harvest
Autumn
Islam- Special times/special books
Christianity- Special times/special books
Judaism- Sukkot
Hinduism/Sikhism - Diwali
Traditional Tales
International Dot Day
Frieda Kahlo
Parents as partners- Autumn treasures

Autumn 2
Bonfire Night- Guy Fawkes
Remembrance Day
RE- Celebrations of Light- Christmas,
Hanukkah
Victorian Christmas
Christmas around the world
Whole school book project

Spring 1

RE- Which people are special and why
Christianity- Jesus
Sikhism- Guru Nanak
Shrove Tuesday/Lent
Chinese New Year
Safer Internet Day, Valentine's Day,
Winter
Polar Regions & Animals
Birds

Spring 2
RE- Which places are special and why
Christianity- Church
Islam- Mosque
World Book day
Beatrix Potter
Mother's Day
Easter
Spring/New Life, Farm
Ramadan, Eid
Monet
Parents as partners- Bedtime Story Event

Summer 1
RE- What is special about our world
Earth Day
Sunflower Challenge
Planting/ Gardening
Taking care of our Earth
Life cycles
Parent's as Partners- Parent
Breakfast Assembly

Summer 2
RE- Where do we belong
Eid
Farm Trip
Father's Day
Seaside
Holidays
Maps
Transition to Year 1