



## St. Anne's Catholic Primary School

### Reception Knowledge Organiser

#### 'Autumn Two'

*"Loving God In All We Do."*



#### Our topics this half term

This half term we will be working on the following Topics:

- Bonfire Night
- People Who Help Us
- Advent
- Christmas

We will be learning about family customs and routines through both our welcome 'Baptism' topic and our Birthdays 'Christmas' topic and will talk about how we celebrate with our families. We will also learn about different occupations such as doctors, nurses, police ...and how they do their jobs and help others.

#### By the end of the topic we will (Development Matters)

##### Understanding the World

- Begin to make sense of their own life-story
- Show interest in different occupations.
- Comment on images of familiar situations in the past.
- Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.

##### Expressive Arts and Design

- Remember and sing entire songs.
- Join different materials and explore different textures.
- Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody.

##### Outside Play

The children are loving outdoor learning no matter the weather. As the weather is beginning to get colder please send in hats and gloves for your child to wear when outside. If anybody also has an interest in the outdoors be that gardening or building we would love to hear from you as we are always looking to improve our outdoor learning environment!

##### Phonics

The children continue to work on new letter sounds and the skills of blending and segmenting to read and write simple words. See the homework section below to find how you can support this at home.

##### Literacy

The children have been working so hard writing their names and are beginning to get into great habits of remembering to write their name on their work. We will have a non-fiction focus this half term within our people who help us topic and will work on writing labels and simple captions. We will be sharing stories about a new baby and towards the end of the term be listening to Christmas/Nativity stories and Christmas poems.

##### Maths

The children will continue to work on number recognition and ordering of numbers during this half term. Children will learn to say one number for each item in order and will compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than'. They will count actions, objects and sounds and will continue to subitise amounts, They will also make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity.

##### WOW!

The children are loving sharing their wow moments with the rest of the class and their class mates are always so proud. We will send a further three tickets in book bags for this half term so keep the wow moments coming!

##### Homework

Please remember to look at Class Charts each week to find the weekly Homework. Here you will see which letter sounds your child has covered during the week and a selection of words to build using the letter cards that have been previously sent home. You will also find weekly phonics and maths homework activities on Education City.



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### **Wider curriculum learning**

This half term through our Bonfire topic we will explore colour and sound. We will be making models and crafting uniforms for jobs of people who help us. We will be exploring, using and combining various media and materials through our Christmas craft activities and will demonstrate an understanding of the Nativity story through role play.

### **We are going to read:**

- A variety of stories linked to welcoming a new baby
- Non-Fiction texts about 'People Who Help Us'
- Cops and Robbers
- Christmas stories and poems
- The Nativity Story

### **Let's try this at home**

Talk about your child's Baptism. Look at photographs and discuss: Who was there? What happened? How did the family celebrate?

Talk to family members about their jobs.

We will send home the Posada pack (travelling crib) during Advent for you to complete with you child. Instructions will be sent home with the pack during Advent.

### **Key dates for this half-term**

**Halloween Disco and Pumpkin competition** - Monday 1st November

**Christmas Party** - Thursday 16th December

**Christmas Break** - Friday 17th December 2021 - Tuesday 4th January 2021