



St. Anne's Catholic Primary School

Reception Knowledge Organiser

'Summer Two'

"Loving God In All We Do."



Our topics this half term

For the beginning of this half term we will be working on the following topic:

- Space

This term we will be learning about our wider world. We will be exploring the solar system, people who have travelled to space and space aliens. We will be investigating light and dark and carrying out scientific experiments.

Through our RE topic 'Friends' the children will begin to recognise that Christians show love for one another because Jesus asked them to do so. They will begin to recognise Jesus' rule for friends and his words 'love one another.'

By the end of the topic we will...

(Development Matters)

People and Communities

- Children know the difference between past and present events.

Understanding the World

- To talk about the features of our immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another.

Exploring and Using Media and Materials

- Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques. Experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.

Being Imaginative

- Children use what they have learnt about media and materials in original ways, thinking about uses and purposes.

Phonics & Reading

Don't forget that reading books are changed on Mondays. Please continue to record in your child's reading record book that they have read their weekly home readers and are ready for new books. This also helps your child to work towards achieving the reading awards, bronze for reading 15 books, silver for reading 30 books and gold for reading 45 books. Please continue to check Class Charts and Education City for weekly homework activities to support your child's phonics.

Literacy

This half term we will focus on stories with a familiar setting. We will listen to the story 'How to Catch a Star' by Oliver Jeffers and using 'Talk for Write' activities will learn the story off by heart, using actions to support our recall when writing the story. We will use the story 'Aliens Love Underpants' to explore adjectives. We continue with our writing focus, working on writing simple sentences and continue to work on handwriting and correct letter formation.

Maths

The children will continue to work on recognising the numbers 1-20 and will begin to understand that ten numbers are a group of ten and some more. They will start to partition sets using the terms part, part, whole and will develop their skills in addition and subtraction further by adding and subtracting through counting on and back. We will also be working on measuring weight length and capacity using non-standard units and will continue to practise writing numerals.

Mini-Wheelers

This half term the Lancashire Sports Development Team will lead 'mini-wheelers' cycling sessions with the Reception children. The programme will involve the children learning how to manoeuvre, mount and dismount a bike whilst focusing on the ability to glide, stop and brake safely enabling the children to become safe and independent riders. More information to follow.



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Wider curriculum learning

This half term we will be exploring form and function when constructing space rockets, moon vehicles and aliens with junk modelling. We will become scientists and will explore the planets of the solar system and what makes the day light and the night dark. We will also be carrying out various experiments relating to space including the effects of gravity on objects and investigating stars. We will be finding out about people who have visited space in the past and take on the character of astronauts in role play.

We are going to read:

- 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy
- 'How to Catch a Star' by Oliver Jeffers
- 'Baby Brains' by Simon James
- 'Aliens love Underpants' by Claire Freedman

Let's try this at home

Go outside when its dark or look out of the window and talk about what you can see.

- Can you count the stars?
- Can you find the moon?
- Does the sky change from one night to the next?
- Can you spot any planets?

Maybe you'd like to see what earth looks like from space using 'Google Earth'

Key dates for this half-term

Term Starts - Monday 7th June 2021

Term Ends - Friday 16th July