



St Charles RCVA Primary School

Reception Newsletter Autumn Term (1) 2020

WELCOME TO ST. CHARLES!

Mrs Ingleby and I absolutely loved meeting you all on your Transition Day. We hope you enjoyed your time with us. We hope that both parents and children alike are beginning to feel part of our special family. We are very excited about the year ahead and the fun we'll have as we learn together. Miss Beanie and her lovable characters will be helping us to uphold our Golden Rules so that we can succeed and reach our full potential!

OUR R.E. TOPICS AND SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

MYSELF - God knows and loves each one of us.

Why not make a collage using family photographs of all the significant family members?

JUDAISM – (1 week) Hanukkah: the Feast of Lights

WELCOME - Baptism: a welcome to God's family Talk to someone who has been to a Baptism and/or Confirmation about their memories of this celebration.

ENGLISH

Please take some time to familiarise yourself with the activities given in your welcome pack.

This half term we will be focussing on:

Reading: Enjoying a wide range of books; retelling and anticipating events. Developing vocabulary

Phonics. The actions for S,A,T,P,I,N; creating CVC words and blending the letters together, hearing the initial sound in words.

Mark-making. An effective pencil grip, to begin to form letters which are recognisable and correctly formed.

MATHS – We will be working on our numerals 1 – 5; learning to select the correct numeral; estimating and then checking by counting; counting objects by saying one number name for each item.

At home, please highlight numbers and number language at home and when out and about. Setting the table - do we have enough? How many plates? Spotting number plates, counting games, measuring when baking are all valuable learning activities. The emphasis in EYFS is to be able to understand numbers properly, by using them in a real life context, rather than being able to count up to 'big numbers.'

TOPIC WORK – SUPERHEROES AND PEOPLE WHO HELP US

There are lots of people who help us in the community and we will be learning about how they help us in our day-to-day lives. **Some of these people help us in emergencies**, like firefighters, police and doctors and nurses. If there is an emergency, you'll need to know how to get in touch with the right person to help you (however old you are).

Other people help us to stay safe and healthy, like opticians, dentists and refuse collectors.

Anybody can do a job that helps other people if they have been trained properly – maybe you'll want to do one of these jobs when you grow up?

We will deepen our understanding through Stories, Drama, Role –play, making models (e.g. emergency vehicles,) and making Thank you cards/ gifts for people. We will begin to realise that by following our class rules and routines that we are little Superheroes too!

REMINDERS: Remember

- A waterproof coat, a bottle of water each day, wellies, and recycling for our budding designers!
- Our P.E. session will be on a **WEDNESDAY** afternoon. Please come to school in the appropriate kit.

We know that starting school, under normal circumstances, is a big step. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have a query. Whether big or small; we are always happy to help.