

Class 3 Reception Newsletter

Summer 2023



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Maths

This term the children will work on:



To 20 and Beyond! – Children will learn how to build numbers and counting patterns beyond 10.

First, Now, Then! – Children will learn to:

- Add more and take away
- Names of 3D shapes and how to rotate them.
- Map work

Find My Pattern! – Children will explore the principles of:

- Doubling
- Sharing and grouping
- Odd and even numbers

R.E

This term in RE we will be looking at the topics:

Good News – We plan to discuss the joy and wonder children experience when they hear Good News.

Friends – We will be learning about friendships and how we can build new friendships.

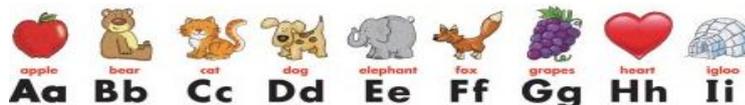
Our World – We will be learning about Our Wonderful World and how we can work together to help protect our planet.

The children will also participate in weekly Liturgical Prayer and will join KS1 worships in which we encourage children to learn our school prayers and to take time to think and reflect about their day.

Literacy

We will be continuing with our daily phonics session throughout the Summer Term. Children are now able to recognise single letter spellings and recognise them in words, we will continue our work on forming these letters with greater accuracy. We will continue to develop our knowledge and recognition of uppercase letters.

This term we will be moving onto recognising spellings with two letters and how to read and write words with these spellings. This will include: sh, ch, th, ck, wg, ng, qu.



Reading Books

The children are encouraged to read at home for at least 20 minutes every night. Please support your child in completing their new reading record each night by signing that they have read. The children are encouraged to talk about their books and make a response to the book, before moving onto their next book.



Topic

This term we will be exploring two topics. The first is 'Who Wrote My Story?' The children will explore a range of Traditional Tales and learn about British history.

Interests may include:

- Castles and homes
- Storytelling Skills



The second is 'What Will I Find Around The World' The children will learn about different animals and their habitats.

Interests may include:

- Under the Sea
- Caring for our environment



Creative Development

Children will:

- Use topics to design and adapt props to support their roleplay including shields and castles.
- Perform and retell traditional and familiar stories through roleplay.

Understanding the World



Children will:

- Compare features of past and present life with things that have purpose and meaning to them.
- Explore different countries and their habitats.
- Compare and contrast features of the world and their own environment.

PSED

Our focus this term will be supporting children to continue to develop and understanding of their emotions and those different to ourselves. We will be:

- Thinking about how we can manage our own needs with increasing independence.
- Set simple goals for ourselves and plan on how we can work towards achieving them.
- Show confidence and perseverance in the face of a challenge.

Other Curriculum Areas:

PE: For PE, we will be focusing on competitive sports, such as racing. We will also be learning how to play rounders, and preparing for Sports Day towards the end of the Summer Term.

Computing: We will use Purple Mash for Computing and continue to develop our computing skills.

MFL: We will have weekly Spanish lessons where we will learn simple words and phrases, and how to count to 10.

Art & DT: In DT we will be exploring textiles, learning how to do a simple stitch. In Art we will focus our art work around sculpture, and will also be working on portraits of King Charles III to celebrate his coronation

Polite Reminders

Children need to bring their reading records, reading books and spelling books into school every day. Please continue to encourage your child to read daily and sign their records with any comments of praise and areas for development.

Class 3 need to wear their PE kit on Tuesdays – this should be a plain navy-blue tracksuit/shorts with a plain white t-shirt. Long hair should be tied up with bobbles and hair bands that are the school colours. Short hair should not be extremely short and hair gel/spray is not permitted. No jewellery including earrings are allowed.

For more information regarding school uniform and PE kits, please visit:

[School Uniform – St Joseph's Catholic Academy Norton \(bhcet.org.uk\)](http://bhcet.org.uk)



If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office to arrange a telephone call.

Miss Thomas and Mrs Pilling