

As communicators...

We will be developing our listening and attention skills so that we can hear more and remember more. We will be encouraged to answer questions about what we have heard and express our thoughts and ideas. We will take turns to speak and listen to others when they speak. Adults in Nursery will model phrases sentences so that we hear all the words in a sentence.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will continue to develop our independence and take responsibility for our own belongings- we can put on and take off our own coats and hang them up; we know where our water-bottles go and we collect our own things at home-time.

We will be reminded of our 'Nursery rules' and that we share, work and play cooperatively with one another. We will be encouraged to talk about our feelings and learn to recognise different emotions.

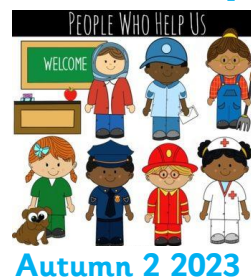
Physical Development

Gross and fine motor activity helps to develop our brain function and leads directly into other areas of learning. Our play outdoors with the vehicles, balance bikes, and other large equipment is important and we will be practising throwing and catching large balls. We continue to 'Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle' to help develop our arm muscles and alongside activities in nursery such as dough manipulation, tweezer activities and threading, will lead us towards using pencils and pens with increasing control.

New Vocabulary – We are learning new words every day and the words we will focus on this half term are – long, short, tall, first, last, same, different, in front, behind, under, beside/next to. We will also try to use she/he, him/her and his/hers accurately.

St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School
Nursery Learning Guide

People who inspire us!



Who looks after us?
When we need help, who should we ask?

What are uniforms for?

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In our 'Welcome' topic we learn about how to make people feel welcome and that we were welcomed into God's family through our Baptism. We also look at 'Birthdays' and we are introduced to Advent as a time for getting ready for a very special birthday – Jesus' birthday at Christmas.

As investigators...

We will be learning about the Emergency Services as well as the people who help us at home, at school and in the community. We will talk about their roles and the specialist equipment they need. We will explore uniforms and their properties and we will make observations of pictures of old fashioned uniforms.

We will also make observations of what happens when we mix ingredients together and then when we bake them in the oven. An adult will show us what we can find out using the internet too!

As readers and writers...

The non-fiction and fiction books we will be sharing will to help build our knowledge and understanding of the theme and we will be encouraged to answer questions about them. We will be using phrases from stories, especially repetitive ones. Look out for that Gingerbread Man – he can ...'run, run as fast as he can!' We will be improving our memory by remembering sequences of pictures/instrumental sounds and locating matching sounds/pictures.

As mathematicians...

We will practise rote-counting accurately to number 10 and beyond. We will learn to count small sets of objects by giving one number to one object (1-3 to begin with) and we will know that the last number we say is the total number in the set. Sorting objects into groups by what we see, like colours and shapes, help us categorise things and use words to label them.

As artists and designers...

We will explore colour mixing and textured paint. We will be making portraits of our families and other people. There are more songs and rhymes for us to learn and we will learn some simple festive songs in time for Christmas. We will begin to access the hall on a Tuesday morning and Wednesday afternoon to sing circle songs and play games. We will learn to keep a steady beat with the help of 'Beat Baby'.

Visits /Celebrations

The librarian is coming to visit us this half term and so are the Fire Brigade. We have a special theatre group coming into school and a Hoopstarz session planned. Any parents who have a 'helping' job who would like to share with the children, please let us know.