



Newdigate Primary and Nursery School Reception

Autumn 2 Curriculum Letter

SUMMARY OF CURRICULUM OBJECTIVES For your information we have outlined below the topics that will be covered this half term in Reception.

General Theme

This half term our topic is 'How do things work?'. We will be discussing the characteristics that make a good friend, and why it is important to be kind. We will be looking at the natural changes that are happening around us as the season changes. We will also explore some processes and changes that happen in our environment and how they may differ from contrasting environments.

Literacy

The focus books will be 'The Gingerbread Man', 'The Sneezing snowman' and 'Jesus' Christmas party'.

From this we will be:

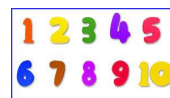
- Labelling pictures of our own families, using initial sounds.
- Labelling characters from the story



Numeracy

The focus will be:

- Finding, subitising and representing 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- Composition of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
- Finding 1 more and 1 less
- Identifying and naming circles and triangles.



Understanding the world

The focus will be on ourselves, and our families. We will be:

- Understanding the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them
- Understanding some important processes and changes in the natural world around them,
- Looking at some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments,



Expressive Arts and Design

As Artists we will be:

- Applying skills with threading; choosing colours and shapes to create patterns.
- Exploring colour and pattern to create individual designs.
- Creating a picture with a simple sliding mechanism



Understanding the world

Within RE we will be looking at belonging and believing. We will focus on:

- Different groups that we belong to
- Different places of worship
- How people remember special times
- Why it is important to help each other



Expressive Arts and Design

As musicians this term the children will focus on:

- Listening to music and identifying different instruments that we can hear
- Discussing how different music makes us feel
- Finding the beat and pulse in songs



Personal and Social Development

Children will focus on:

- Understanding the characteristics that make a good friend.
- Learning the importance of being kind.
- Learning about how different beliefs celebrate special times.



Physical development

In PE we will be practising:

- Our movement skills, including running, jumping and rolling
- Our balance and coordination
- Using a range of apparatus safely



Thank you for your continued support

Please contact us through the Family App with any questions