



St. Werburgh's C. E. Primary School

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Monday, 24th February 2025

Dear parents and carers,

Re: Reception Curriculum Update – Spring Term (2nd Half)

As your child continues their learning journey, we wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with a brief outline of the curriculum areas which we will be focusing on in class.

Please note that the below is a summary and may change over the course of the term based on the children's needs and interests. It does, however, offer insight to enable you to further support your child's learning outside school.

Curriculum Area	Focus
English	<p>During this half term our work will focus on two texts, <i>The Journey Home</i> by Emma Levey and <i>Something Else</i> by Kathryn Cave.</p> <p>We will also explore other texts such as <i>Rosie's Walk</i> by Pat Hutchins, <i>Wriggle and Roar</i> by Julia Donaldson, <i>Farmer Duck</i> by Martin Waddell, <i>A Great Big Cuddle</i> by Michael Rosen, <i>Hattie Peck</i> by Emma Levey, <i>Home</i> by Carson Ellis, <i>The Way Back Home</i> by Oliver Jeffers, <i>Elmer</i> by David McKee, <i>Giraffes can't dance</i> by Giles Andreae, <i>One</i> by Kathryn Otoshi</p> <p>We will focus on a Poetry unit focusing on <i>The Farmyard</i>. The poetry unit is linked to performing poems and rhymes.</p>
Phonics	<p>We will consolidate Set 1 sounds and continue to introduce the Set 2 sounds. We will continue to develop the children's skills at reading and writing green and red words.</p> <p>You can expect your child to start bringing home a combination of speed sound books, green words, red words and reading books as the term progresses.</p>
Maths	<p>During this half term we will focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Shape: 2D & 3D shapesCounting, ordinality and cardinalityCompositionMeasure: Weight <p>Our number work links with the Number blocks characters and programmes.</p>

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Theme	Homes
Personal, Social and Emotional	This half term we will focus on the theme Keeping safe. We will explore keeping our bodies safe, safety indoors and outdoors, being safe online, who keeps us safe and listening to our feelings.
Understanding the World	We will explore the following themes: Different types of home Rooms in a home and their purpose Family members and their roles Building Materials Homes around the world Safety in the home
Expressive Arts	We will explore the theme of homes through art, different media and materials, drama, music and dance. We will also take part in a weekly music lesson led by Mrs Whitley.
Physical Development	We will focus on body shape development. Our PE sessions will be led by ASM.
Religious Education	This half term we will focus on the question why Christians put a cross in an Easter Garden. The unit will enable the children to explore the events leading up and including the Easter story.

Our P.E. days this term are **Monday** and **Friday**.

We will change library books on a **Wednesday**.

Please ensure your child brings their reading folder to school every day.

It is important that the children continue to develop their independence, please encourage your child to say goodbye at the door each morning, allowing them to hang up their own coat and bag. A member of staff will be on hand to help if they need a little support.

Thank you for your support and, should you require any other information, please let us know.

Kind regards,

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