



PARENTS' GUIDE TO THE CURRICULUM

Maths

- Represent the numbers 1, 2 and 3
- Say one more and one less
- To match numerals and quantities correctly
- Use positional language
- Practise our written number formation



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Being kind to our friends and what makes a good friend
- Anti-Bullying Week and using kind words to have a positive impact
- Keep on going, even if we make a mistake
- How to keep clean and healthy
- Exploring how to promote their own wellbeing



Expressive Arts and

Design

- Create firework pictures
- Design resources for our role play area
- Practise our Christmas Nativity



Literacy

- Write simple words and captions e.g. The big cat/My mum sat etc.
- Discuss the difference between green words e.g. cat, mat, hat (those we can sound out) and red words e.g. the, to, I, no, go (those we cannot sound out).

- Listen to and discuss the stories:

- How to Catch a Star
- Patten's Pumpkin
- The Elves and the Shoemaker
- The Christmas Story



Understanding the World

- Discuss celebrations such as Guy Fawkes and Christmas
- Describe seasonal changes
- Identify nocturnal and diurnal animals



Reception

Autumn 2 - What Changes?

Mrs Shahid (Ash and Year Group Leader), Mrs Molla (Oak), Mrs Abboud (Beech)

Communication and Language



- Become good listeners to our friends, responding appropriately
- Use descriptive words in our speech
- Use the word "because" to explain reasons



How Can Parents Help?

- Talk to your child about what they have been doing at school
- Help your child to practise writing their name cursively
- Identify sounds at the start of words with your child e.g. 'What sound does the word *cat* start with?', 'Can you think of anything else that starts with the 'c' sound?'
- Practise identifying numerals and matching them with the correct quantities

Homework will be set in the purple homework books or on Google Classroom every Thursday using the following link:

<https://www.selborne.ealing.sch.uk/Homework/>



Physical Development

Reception are practising their fine motor control with daily "Funky Fingers" practice. This involves activities to strengthen muscles in our hands e.g. cutting, playdough, pincers, pegs, threading etc.

Weekly P.E. lessons also take place and children will need to ensure they have their labelled P.E kits in school to change into independently. This half term, children will be taking part in Yoga lessons and practicing basic stretches to warm up.



Religious Education

"What can we learn from special stories?"

Children will be discussing stories that we enjoy reading and looking at the story of 'Noah's Ark'. We will be acting out key parts of the story using puppets.



Key Dates:

- 3rd November** – Children return to school
- 4th November** – Bonfire Evening
- 16th November** – Wear odd socks for Anti-Bullying Week + Rec Parent Phonics Workshop
- 4th December** – Own clothes day + Christmas fair after school
- 9th December** – Reception Christmas Concert
- 16th December** – Reception's provisional visit to Holy Trinity Church
- 18th December** – Last day of term – 1:30pm finish for children