



This term our topics include Jack and the Beanstalk, Life Cycles and Insects. We believe strongly in the partnership between home and school and are therefore confident of your support in helping your child to learn. The things we will be studying in each Area of Learning are as follows:

Communication and Language

- Learn rhymes, poems and songs
- Listen attentively and respond with relevant questions and comments
- Use a wider range of vocabulary in conversation when engaged in back and forth exchanges
- Use recently introduced vocabulary in their conversations
- Ask how questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them
- Articulate their ideas through well-formed sentences
- Retell stories using repetitive phrases
- Start using capital letters and full stops

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Show an understanding of their feelings and the feelings of others
- Talk about their feelings and others feelings using words like happy, sad, angry and worried
- Be confident to try new activities with independence, resilience and perseverance
- See themselves as a valuable individual
- Know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and well-being
- Form positive relationships with adults and peers

Physical Development

- Develop the overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with physical activities such as jumping, skipping and riding a balance bike
- Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or on the floor
- Hold a pencil effectively and use a range of small tools including scissors and cutlery
- Negotiate space and obstacles safely

RE

- Everyone has good news to tell
- The coming of the Holy Spirit
- Learn about Pentecost – the celebration of the good news of Jesus
- Making friends and being a friend
- That Jesus had friends and we can be friends of Jesus

RSHE

- Created to live in community- God is Love
- The Holy Trinity- the concept that God is three in one
- Loving God, loving others

Mathematics

- Have a deep understanding of number to 10
- Subitise
- Understand the 1 more than/1 less than relationship between consecutive numbers
- Recall number bonds up to 5
- Compare and explore numbers
- Verbally count beyond 20
- Compose and decompose shapes – recognize shapes within another shape

Understanding the World

- Talk about the lives of people who are familiar to them
- Compare and contrast characters from stories including figures from the past
- Continue developing positive attitudes about the differences between people
- Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them
- Celebrate special times in different ways – related to Pentecost

Literacy

- Blend sounds into words so that they can read short words made up of known letters
- Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense
- Start to use lower case and capital letters correctly
- Read simple phrases and sentences
- Re-read books to build up their confidence in word reading
- Write short sentences with words with known letter – sound correspondences using capital letters and full stops
- Look at fiction and nonfiction books

Expressive Arts and Design

- Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas
- Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills
- Develop storylines in their pretend play – jack and the beanstalk and books by Eric Carle
- Remember and sing entire songs
- Explore and engage in music making, dance and performance