

# Teaching and Learning Information

## Reception Class - Autumn Term 1 -2022

### Ourselves

#### Communication, Language and Literacy

The children will enjoy listening to a range of different stories and will be encouraged to talk about these to extend their knowledge and understanding. These stories will also help to improve the children's vocabulary. We will also begin to learn a range of letter sounds and then blend them together to help us to read a range of small words. The children will then look at how they can record these sounds, during our daily phonics sessions. We will also be encouraging the children to work on their pencil grip, control and how to write their name forming each sound correctly.



#### Numeracy

The children will be given the opportunity to develop their counting skills, using a number of different objects in and around our learning environment. We will work on recognising numbers up to 10 in and out of order and gain a deeper understanding into some of these numbers. The children will also begin to look at comparisons when looking at different numbers and linking them to the correct number of objects. They will also look at shape, size and position as they explore the different parts of their bodies.



#### Understanding of the World

The children will be focusing on ourselves this half term, looking at the various similarities and differences between themselves, others and people around them. We will also look at the five different senses and how the children use these in everyday life.

The children will also have the opportunity to use our ipad's to explore a variety of educational games to help further their development in all areas of learning.



#### Expressive Art and Design

The children will be given the opportunity to experiment with a variety of materials in a range of areas in our learning environment, especially on the art table and painting easels. They will also be encouraged to engage in a variety of songs and dances using different instruments and we will look at the different sounds we with our bodies.



#### Physical Development

This half term the children will be encouraged to work on their fine motor skills to help with the writing abilities. We will carry out a range of activities to help strengthen our pencil grip and control. These will include, playdough, sorting toys and tweezers, threading, finger painting and lego building. The children will also learn how to write the name correctly, focusing on the correct letter formation. The children will also have the opportunity to work on their gross motor skills during continuous outdoor provision and during out PE session in the hall on a Wednesday.



#### Personal, social and emotional

The children will start the year working on learning the rules and routines of our setting, including talking about the importance of having and following rules to ensure that everyone is happy and safe. We will work on building relationships and making lots of new friends in our class and year one. The children will also be encouraged to talk about different feelings and when they may feel these ways.



#### Topic – Ourselves

- \*\*The Rainbow Fish
- \*\*The Colour Monster
- \*\*Funny Bones
- \*\*My Five Senses
- \*\*Who's in my Family
- \*\*Pumpkin Soup



#### RE and Collective Worship

Christian Value: Thankfulness

We will carry out collective worship as a whole school and with year one in the Annexe



#### Important Times and Homework

- \*\*In the line at 10 to 9!
- \*\*Book Bag and Planner: Brought to school daily
- \*\*Reading Books: Changed every Friday
- \*\*PE Day: Come to school in your PE kit every Wednesday. (Changed from a Friday to a Wednesday).
- \*\*Homework Grid and planner to be ticked off and signed for Friday every week.
- \*\*Reading at Home: Please encourage your child to read their reading book four times at home before it can be changed in school. Please record this in their planner.
- \*\*If the children have four reads recorded in their planner, they will receive a golden token to put in their groups treasure box. The winning team will get a dip in the prize bag or have a treat.

At St. Thomas Leesfield, we value the link between home and school. We recognise that parental support is vital to a child's progress and education. Please encourage your child to complete and return their homework grid on time and ensure that their planner is signed ready to be checked by their class teacher on a Friday.

