



Christ Church Church of England Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4: 10

Welcome to the Autumn edition of the Reception's Curriculum News. We hope that you will find it useful and informative. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions regarding the curriculum this half term.

This half term, our key concepts will be **'ourselves and our community.'** We will explore what makes us special, sharing our gifts, talents and interests. We will learn about our school family and each other's families.



We will share a wide range of stories and non-fiction texts linked to our key concepts. Some of the titles we will explore include: 'Marvellous Me', 'Perfectly Norman' and 'You're so amazing.'



In our daily phonics sessions, children will be introduced to the level/ phase 2 phonemes. Children will bring home an activity poster to engage with at home for each new sound learnt. Please review these regularly. Please see your child's yellow reading record for further information about phonics and daily reading.



In our daily **mathematics** sessions, we will be introduced to Number land, exploring each of the numbers 1-10 ensuring that we develop a secure understanding of the numeral, quantity and formation of digit. Each number also has its own garden with a related 2D shape to explore. Children will be introduced to numicon over the coming weeks; we will send home a set of numicon and related activities for you to try at home.



In **PE**, Reception will be developing their fundamental movement skills: running, jumping, hopping, catching and throwing. PE lessons will take place on: **Mondays and Fridays**; children should come to school in their PE kit on Monday and Friday.



Our **SCARF PSHE** theme this half term is all about: **'Me and my relationships'**. We will share our similarities, differences, likes and dislikes. We will talk about keeping ourselves and others safe and explore new friendships.

In **RE**, this half term, our unit will be focussed on the question: **'Why are we different and special?'** We use the book 'Clever Cub explores God's creation' to further support our understanding of Christian beliefs about God.



How can I help at home?

Regularly check bookbags for letters, information and activities to try.

Please send in a family picture for our home corner and to support our learning this half term. You are welcome to email family pictures to g.hooper@christchurch-lancaster.lancs.sch.uk or alternatively, send a photo in via your child's bookbag.

We would like to invite you to our first stay and play session which is taking place at 2pm-3:15 on Friday 10th October. Our focus will be on phonics and reading.

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