



Early Years Curriculum Newsletter Spring 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share an overview of the exciting learning taking place in Early Years over the next five weeks. Our curriculum is designed to nurture curiosity, creativity and confidence while supporting every child to grow and thrive. Below, you'll find a summary of what we'll be exploring across all areas of learning.

Art & Design

Children will experiment with a wide range of materials, textures and techniques. Through creative activities such as mark making, printing and imaginative art projects, we will encourage self-expression and develop fine motor skills.

Music – Charanga

This half-term our focus is on number songs. Through well-known favourites like *Hickory Dickory Dock* and *Ten Green Bottles*, children will build rhythm, confidence and musical awareness in a fun and interactive way.

Communication & Language / Literacy

Through high-quality texts and daily phonics sessions, children will develop their early reading and language skills. We'll explore stories that spark imagination, encourage discussion and introduce rich vocabulary.

Maths

We will be deepening our understanding of numbers 9 and 10 through hands-on activities, games and practical learning. Later in the term, we will explore 3D shapes — learning their names, spotting them in the environment and using them in construction play.

Physical Development



Our outdoor play and Forest School-based activities will support children in developing balance, coordination, strength and gross motor skills. Activities will include running, climbing, throwing, dancing and moving to music.

PSED – SCARF

This half term's SCARF focus supports children in developing positive relationships, empathy and awareness of how to care for themselves, others and the world around them. We'll explore themes such as friendship, kindness, helpfulness and responsibility.

Understanding the World – Natural World

Children will explore their senses and discover more about the natural world around them. Activities include sound walks, nature hunts, sensory storytelling and colour-mixing investigations — all designed to build curiosity and observation skills.

Understanding the World – Past & Present

We will compare old and new forms of transport, exploring how cars, bikes, trains, boats and planes have changed over time. Children will also enjoy hands-on activities such as designing simple boats and investigating different types of vehicles.

People, Culture & Communities – RE

Our RE question this term is:

“Why do some Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?”

We will explore the Easter story, Christian symbols and key events such as Palm Sunday in an age-appropriate and meaningful way.

Computing

Children will be introduced to early programming skills using Beebots and simple unplugged activities. They will learn how to follow and create instructions, preparing them for digital skills later in school.