

St Francis' Catholic Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter



Nursery Year Group and Staff Nursery

Ms Debernardis, Mrs Cockley and Mrs Impey

Listening Walks

This term we will learn how to listen out for sounds in the environment in preparation to learn our sounds.

This is the very early stages of phonic acquisition where we will be learning the letter "sound" not the letter "name". This will enable children to use these sounds to blend them and read later on.



Maths

Children in Nursery will learn how to count to 10 through song and rhymes. They will be able to recognise all numbers to 5.

They will use language for measuring and comparing (eg. bigger, smaller etc). They will learn the names of 2D shapes and find them in the environment.



Physical Development

Children will learn to look after themselves including how to get dressed or undressed.

They will also be encouraged during snack time to independently peel their own fruit, insert straws into milk cartons and/or drink from cups without spilling.



R.E.

For RE lessons we will follow the scheme of work Come and See:

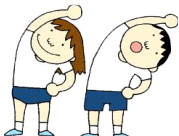
The Mission Statement and School Values—Peace, Love, Knowledge

Myself God knows and loves each one

Feast of St Francis

Welcome Baptism, a welcome to God's family

Birthday Looking forward to Jesus' birthday



PE

In PE lessons we will be exploring music and movement and using large PE equipment to develop gross motor skills.

Children will learn about the importance of exercise for a healthy lifestyle.

NB: please make sure **all** items of clothing have your child's name on.

Ourselves



Children will be looking at themselves and their bodies in detail and will produce self portraits.

We will explore the 5 senses and what they are used for.

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Understanding of the World



Children will explore the school environment and become familiar with the Nursery area first and then incur into the "big school" for some observing and learning walks.

We will also learn about different faiths (Juddaism) and festivals and their corresponding celebrations like Hanukah and Diwali. We will start to look at the different seasons and observe how things change.



Computing

In Nursery children will use Ipads and laptops to interact with age appropriate software like maths games or reading stories.



Children will frequently use

digital cameras to capture images and share them with their friends.



They will also use programmable toys.

Last, but not least they will learn about how to keep safe online.

PSED



Children will be encouraged to role play with other children (in small groups) showing they can take turns, share toys and listen and respond to others.

They will also learn about the importance of our health and how we can keep healthy.

They will be encouraged to become more independent in looking after themselves.

Helping your child at home



Try to use any opportunity to encourage children to count (steps, cups, coins, anything!)

Most importantly, help them to become more independent. Ask them to dress or undress themselves and to use their words when asking for things (avoid pointing etc.)

Art & Design

We will use different media to encourage children to explore which ones they like best (paint, crayons, watercolours, chalk etc)

We will also be doing junk modelling to explore art in 3D.



Reading

We encourage daily reading with your child. Please read with your child every day. Once you have heard your child read, ask them questions about the book, i.e. the characters and what they liked best about the book.

Please follow the link for access to a range of books that can be shared online: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page>

Click 'my class login' at the top of the page.

Enter the username: Nurs2022

Enter the password: Francis

Click on 'Ebooks my bookshelf'

Select age group

