

St Catherine's Catholic Primary School



Nursery Spring Term 2

Literacy

Our shared literacy books this half term are linked to our topic 'On The Farm'. We will be reading some rhyming books to support our phonological work on rhyming words 'The duck in the truck' By Jez Alborough. Our traditional tales will be 'Three Little Pigs and the Three Billy Goats Gruff, we will also look at a selection of non-fiction books that look at farming and farm animals. We will use our books as the bases for Story Dough and Drawing Club sessions to support our developing writing skills.

Maths

In Maths, this half term the children will have a brief look at number six then we will be focussing on measuring by looking at height and length, mass and capacity. We will continue to count objects across our daily routine and have opportunities to put into practise what we have learned throughout the year in our play.

Communication and Language

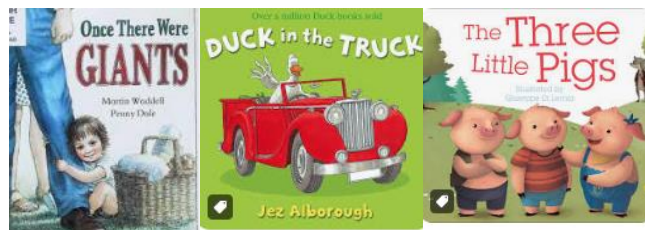
Our Nursery is set up to develop children's Communication and Language. Our labelled shelves allow children to access resources independently and according to their own interests and the different areas allow for children to communicate with friends. We will add extensions to our areas to help develop the language of our topic, we will also focus on a child each day to talk about what is in their learning journey.

RE

Our focus is growing and to know and understand that Spring is a time when things begin to grow. We will also know that Lent is a time to grow in love and to become more like Jesus. We will learn about religious days such as Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

It is our main priority to develop and nurture our children's personal, social and emotional development, ensuring the children develop independence at selecting and using resources and managing their own needs. We will continue to focus on how we were created and loved by God in our PSHE lessons. This term we would like to take our children on a trip to Pet's Corner to have a look at the different farm animals we can see there.



Understanding the World

Our topic this term is farming, we will look at different animals that you might find on a farm. We will look at the lifecycles of different animals and relate it to our own life stories. We will use the book 'Once there were Giants to see how things change as we grow. We will also look at different farming equipment and how it has changed through history, by looking at pictures. We will also plant some seeds and observe how the seeds grow.

Expressive Arts and Design

There will be many role-play activities, including small world that are based around the topic of the farm. We have developed a stage and performance area in the classroom which the children will use to develop their music and performing skills as well as to continue developing creatively through using our art creative and construction areas.

Physical Development

Our children will continue to engage in daily activities such as cutting, threading and mark making to support their fine motor skills and will have access to our balancing equipment, bikes and scooters to develop their gross motor skills. We won't be continuing with PE lessons this term so we can dedicate more time to allowing for purposeful play and so children can have a dedicated time each day to use the outdoor area for their physical development.