St Catherine's Catholic Primary School



Nursery

Autumn Term 2

Literacy

Our key focus in literacy will be learning to re-tell stories, to help us with this we will be reading some traditional tales such as the Gingerbread Man, Little Red Riding Hood, Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We will continue to focus on joining in with songs and rhymes. We will be preparing for reading by listening to the beat and rhythm of words and sounds. Children will prepare for writing by recognising the initial sound in their name and we will introduce them to writing this letter.

Maths

In our Maths lessons this term, the children will be introduced to number skills that they will need later on in life; they will understand about subitising (saying how many is in an amount without counting), count out a given amount from a larger group, recognise some numerals and be able to compare amounts by saying which is more and which is fewer. We will also be learning to recognise, describe and continue repeating patterns. Children will develop these skills through number rhymes, small group activities and in their play.

Communication and Language

Our whole class carpet time, group activities and one to one sessions are designed to develop children's listening and attention, understanding and speaking. This term we will carry on focussing on talking about our homes, please continue to send in photos of your weekend on see-saw as this really helps children to talk about home.

RE

In RE, the children will learn the importance of Baptism in welcoming a person into God's family. We will then learn all about Advent and Christmas as we look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. We will encourage the children to respond in a variety of ways including verbally, through art and role play. Every day we will continue to practice making the sign of the cross and learn our school prayers. We will begin introducing the children to class worship.







Personal, Social and Emotional Development

It is our main priority to develop and nurture our children's personal, social and emotional development. Our weekly PSED lessons will be centred around the theme of 'Getting on and Falling out'. The children will develop their understanding of school rules and values, explore responsibility and discuss how we can be kind to one another. We will also continue to explore our Nursery environment and ensure all

Understanding the World

Our topic this half term is 'Houses and Homes'. Within this unit children will learn about characters from Traditional Tales and their homes. They will also look at what homes are like during the day and at night and think about celebrations we might have in our own home. We will make maps of where different character live or the journeys they go on. We will also use maps to think about where Santa lives. As we draw closer to Christmas the children will participate in a range of activities to develop their understanding of the

Expressive Arts and Design

Our craft area is going to be very busy this term as we focus on making puppets to illustrate our stories as well as making firework crafts and decorations for celebrations that may take place in our house. Our role play area will be transformed into a doctor's and our home corner will be turned into a gingerbread house. In our Music sessions we will continue to learn nursery rhymes and Christmas songs for our EYFS Nativity.

Physical Development

Our children will continue to develop their fine-motor skills through drawing, cutting, sticking, threading etc. We will develop our large-motor skills outside, by climbing balancing, throwing, catching, building and using bikes. In PE children will continue to participate in games that involve negotiating space and following rules.