

## St. Werburgh's C. E. Primary School

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9th January 2023

Dear parents and carers,

## Re: Reception Curriculum Update - Spring Term (1st Half)

Below is a brief outline of the curriculum areas which we will be focusing upon in Class One during the first half of the spring term.

Please note that the below is a summary and may change over the course of the term based on the children's needs and interests. It does, however, offer insight to enable you to further support your child's learning outside school. The 'at home' activities are just suggestions you may like to do with your child.

Curriculum Area	Focus
English	During this half term our work will focus on the text 'A journey home' by Emma Levey.
	We will also explore a range of other texts (fiction and non-fiction) based on animals and different locations.
Phonics	We will be embedding the Set 1 sounds. We will also be focusing on reading and writing green and red words.
Maths	During this half term we will focus on:
	Number - Counting and recognising numbers, Problem Solving - Adding & Subtracting numbers Shape – 2D & 3D shapes Measure – Weighing
Theme	Amazing Animals
Understanding the World	We will explore the following themes: seasons – particularly focusing on winter, animals that live in hot and cold places, where different animals live, nocturnal animals, mini-beasts, the life cycle of a butterfly and frog and facts about wild animals.
Expressive Arts	We will explore the seasons and animals through art, music and dance.

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Personal, Social & Emotional	We will explore topics on the theme of:
	Building relationships: focusing on friendship, taking turns/ sharing and being proud.
	Managing self: focusing on good practices when handwashing and caring for our teeth.
	Self-regulation: focusing on relaxing technique, learning about right and wrong using the strategy stop and think.
Physical Development	We will focus on hand-eye coordination and object control. Our PE sessions will be led by ASM.
Religious Education	This half term we will focus on the theme of 'Why are some stories special?' During the unit we will explore a range of bible stories (parables).

Our P.E. days this term are **Monday** and **Thursday**. It is important your child has a PE kit in school on these days.

Just a reminder to send in a proud clouds telling us about your child's achievement outside of school. Learning takes place both at home and at school; it is therefore important we acknowledge all your child's learning and achievements.

Thank you for your support and, should you require any other information, please let us know.

Kind regards,

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