

Advent 2 Curriculum Overview – Year Reception

Subject	Curriculum	Overview
English	Talk for Writing	Fiction –Room on the Broom. This term the children will be using their story-teller voices and lots of actions to help them learn and recite the story ‘Room on the Broom’. They will also be taking part in lots of linked practical activities to really immerse them in the story. Potion making is always a big (and very messy!) hit with the Reception children!
	Spelling	This term, the children will continue to learn their set 1 sounds. They will also continue to improve their use of ‘Fred Talk’ to orally segment sounds and blend them together. Once confident with this, the children will be able to read and write small words featuring the sounds that they have learned.
	Grammar	As part of their Talk for Writing lessons the children will be learning about adjectives, repeating words and phrases, and story-telling language.
Maths	Measure	The children will learn how to recognise and use triangles and circles. They will also learn about shapes with 4 sides before moving on to learning about time.
	Number	At the start of this term the class will be learning how to represent and compare the numbers 1, 2 and 3, as well as learning about the composition of 1, 2 and 3. They will then move on to representing numbers up to 5 and finding 1 more and 1 less than those numbers.
RE	Baptism- Belonging. ‘Welcome’	To begin the term, the class will continue with their learning about Baptism. They will talk about different ways to welcome somebody, including in different languages, and they will say what it means to them to be made to feel welcome. After this the children will learn about the sacrament of Baptism, during which they will enjoy acting out a Baptism in small groups.
	Advent/Christmas- Loving. ‘Birthdays’	During this topic the class will focus on the big questions; “Why do we celebrate birthdays?” and “Why do we receive presents on Jesus’ birthday?” The children will learn how to talk about their own feelings and experiences as they wait for, and then celebrate, a birthday. They will also learn how to recognise important signs and symbols from the lead up to Christmas during Advent (the wreath, the crib) and those from the Nativity story.
Topic	Seasonal Celebrations	This term the children will be learning about a range of seasonal celebrations that take place during this time of year. They will start by learning about Diwali and bonfire night, both of which give lots of opportunities for beautiful art and craft work! In week 2 the children will be making paper poppies and poppy stones as part of their learning about Remembrance Day. After this the focus will move on to learning about birthdays, before finishing with their performance of the Nativity story for Christmas.
PSHE	New Beginnings	In PSHE the children will be using the ‘Colour Monster’ story to help them to learn about their emotions and what they can do to help themselves feel better, including how to resolve conflicts with others. They will also be learning about the differences between themselves and others, as well as how to be a good, kind friend.