

<p><u>Expressive Art and Design</u></p> <p>This term, children will extend upon their role play experiences through our animal-themed role play and creative activities.</p> <p>We encourage children to follow and express their own interests including expressing themselves creatively in whichever medium they choose. This could be role play, through drawing, painting, collage, junk modelling, making music, songs, rhymes and movement and dance</p>	<p><u>Communication, Language and Literacy</u></p> <p>Through adult modelling, children will be encouraged to actively listen, understand and use new vocabulary. They will develop their use of turn-taking, adding details and questioning when communicating with others. Use talk to connect ideas, help work out problems and organise thinking and activities, and to explain how things work and why they might happen.</p>	<p><u>Mathematics</u></p> <p>The children will continue to explore numbers up to 10 in depth by practicing their early counting skills and developing a solid understanding of number and recognition of numerals. We will be counting objects, actions and sounds accurately and representing numbers on our fingers and in pictures. Children will also continue to explore 2D & 3D shapes, money and time.</p>
<p><u>Physical Development</u></p> <p>Our PE Gymnastics focus this term is co-ordination, balance and control of our bodies and building stamina. Through funky finger challenges, we will build strength and hand-eye co-ordination to help us develop a comfortable pencil grip and to correctly form letters.</p>	<div data-bbox="1088 550 1305 751" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Reception Spring Term 2023 Learning Journey</p>	<p><u>Understanding the World</u></p> <p>We will be exploring the natural world by looking closely at the changing weather and seasons and developing a sense of growth and change over time. We will observe plants, animals and the natural world through outdoor learning.</p>
<p><u>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</u></p> <p>Children will be supported to identify and express their feelings appropriately and to consider the feelings of others.</p> <p>Children will have opportunities to show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.</p> <p>Children will be encouraged to manage their own personal hygiene and know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and wellbeing.</p>	<p><u>Literacy</u></p> <p>As part of our reading and writing programmes we continue developing our skills in story mapping, learning and using new vocabulary and writing our own version of stories we have enjoyed.</p> <p>Our Read, Write Inc. phonics sessions will build on our ability to recognise and write sounds and letters. We will develop our blending and segmenting skills to enable us to read independently and with increasing fluency and to show we have understood what we have read by discussing stories, instructions and captions.</p>	<p><u>Come and See</u></p> <p>In our RE sessions, we will focus on different types of celebrations and how people like to celebrate. We will learn about why people gather and how the parish family experiences joy when they gather together to celebrate at mass.</p> <p>We will also explore the period of Lent and how it is a time of growth and preparation for new life at Easter.</p>

Dear Parents and Carers,

We welcome everyone back for another busy term. Please see our Learning Journey for the Spring term in Reception on the reverse of this letter. We have lots to look forward to as the new term progresses.

Learning

We will be starting our Spring with a focus on 'Animals' as well as following the children's interests and fascination which include space and superheroes. We will be thinking about the pets we have and the animals we already know about. We will learn about how we can care for pets and keep them healthy and we are hoping to visit a pet store to learn about pet's needs. If you have a pet and would like to share your experiences, please speak to a member of staff. We would love to see photographs of your pets! We will also explore and investigate using non-fiction books and the internet to research facts about animals and their habitats.

We will also invite you to workshops and information sessions about supporting your child's learning at home, early reading, writing and maths.

Please follow us on Twitter @AlderclassEYFS1 @AlderclassEYFS2 @StAnnesLiv to see what we have been learning!

Things to Remember

- Don't forget to bring your reading book EVERY DAY to school.
- Our PE day is Thursday and children are allowed to come to school in their PE kit. Please write your child's name on all uniform items including wellingtons. Don't forget to bring a set of spare clothes should your child need them after a toileting accident or get wet during water play.
- We are hoping to begin SWIMMING after the February half term.

If you have any questions, please speak to a member of the Foundation Stage staff or check out our school website. www.stannescatholicprimary.com

Kind Regards,

Miss Clegg, Miss Goldsmith, Miss Lord, Miss Lawrie