

Reception

In our Reception, the children will be supported to settle quickly and to begin having very positive learning experiences guided by a great team of teaching staff. The children will be learning through hands-on, practical opportunities shaped around the different areas of learning. There will be a mixture of focused class and group learning, as well as opportunities for free play choice.

The curriculum will be shaped around 7 areas of learning and half termly topics. The topics for the Autumn term will be:

- Autumn 1- This is us
- Autumn 2- Celebrations
- Spring 1- Space and Aliens
- Spring 2- Reading - celebrating books
- Summer 1- Minibeasts
- Summer 2- Homes

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will be supported to develop good social skills. They are expected to be kind and caring to each other, following the principles of The LFP Way. Adults guide the children to learn to take turns, share equipment and work together with a partner or a small group. Children are taught to listen to each other. They are encouraged to have a go at new learning experiences to build confidence and independence and develop concentration.

Communication and Language

The children will have a rich language environment in which they will develop their spoken language, their understanding and their ability to listen and respond to others.

Literacy

The key skills of reading and writing will be at the core of our Literacy provision. Children will have an opportunity to listen to, read and share books, poems and other texts. They will have a daily phonics (letters and sounds) lesson. They will have weekly guided and reading and daily writing opportunities. Literacy skills will be linked to different books or topics.

Maths

Children will have a daily mathematics carpet session to develop early numbers skills including recognition and counting forwards and backwards to 20 and beyond. They will be learning to use language related to size such as big, medium size and small in the correct context. They will be encouraged to solve practical problems involving every day and real life maths.

Physical Development

Children will be supported to be independent at school. This includes in their self-care through feeding, keeping themselves clean and dressing. They will have lots of outdoor play opportunities to climb, run, keep fit and be active. They are encouraged to take part in activities to develop their core muscles, fine motor skills and hand eye co-ordination. They will take part in regular P.E (Physical Education) lessons.

Understanding the World

Our children will be supported to understand how the world around them works and to begin to understand their role in the larger world. They will have access to a wide range of technology to explore, experiment with and use. Children will be encouraged to investigate, observe and discover in their play both indoors and outdoors.

Expressive Arts and Design

Painting, drawing, modelling, collage and printing are just some of the creative activities that are available for children daily. Children have opportunities to role play, dress up, make music and perform.

Reading and Homework

Children are encouraged to read on a daily basis, with support from parents. This involves sharing a book together at home. A homework task to do at home together will be given on a fortnightly basis (later on in the academic year). This task will support the learning that has taken place in the classroom.