

Reception Medium Term Planning – Autumn 1 2023

Personal, Social and Emotional

At St Cuthbert, we learn how to view ourselves as valuable individuals and strive to build constructive and respectful relationships that are rooted in mutual respect.

Children will be encouraged to build and extend their friendship groups during active and engaging group work with familiar adults. We will also embed a love of looking after our school, our friends and our environment around us by following the school rules.

Communication and Language

At St Cuthbert, we value highly the opportunity to develop spoken language throughout the Early Years. We encourage the development of social phrases, back and forth interactions to be able to provide children with the foundations for language and cognitive development. We inspire children to develop a love for reading through engaging story times and roleplay settings. We listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding, while also providing access to a range of different reading material and genres. Along with reading, we encourage the use of rhyme and songs and pay attention to how they sound.

Children will be learning to communicate effectively with each other during circle times, using social phrases to communicate. Children will engage in story sessions ask questions and feel confident to use story language and sing songs which are familiar to them. Children will build a familiarity of stories and begin to create their own, imaginative and playful stories.

Physical Development

At St Cuthbert, children will revise previously taught skills and refine the fundamental movement skills that have been acquired. Skills such as rolling, crawling, walking, jumping, and running, hopping, skipping and climbing will aid the development of their ability, balance and coordination. Children will draw on the use of their core muscle strength to achieve good posture when sitting on the carpet, at the table and during their chosen free play.

The environment provides the opportunity for the children to develop their gross motor skills and gain confidence to run, explore and take some risks. Weekly PE lessons will support children to develop hand eye co-ordination, fitness and team building skills.

Learning Stimulus

All About Me



Religious Education

Who made the wonderful world?

We will talk about our world and how we can take care of the world God created.

Mathematics

At St Cuthbert, children will explore a range of mathematical concepts to develop a strong understanding of number and number representations. The children will be able to count confidently, and deepened understanding of the numbers to 10 and the relationship between them. The children will explore number patterns and shape and measure.

To aid their development of maths, children will have the opportunity to explore a wide range of maths resources inside the classroom and in the outdoor learning space. Visual mathematics provides a good aid to understanding the numbers and their significance to 10 and beyond.

Literacy

At St Cuthbert, children will learn individual sounds that can be blended and segmented to be able to read words that can be decoded. They will also form a large bank of sight words. Children will read individual letters by saying the sound for them and use this in their written work. Children will begin to show an understanding of capital letters and where to use them i.e., in their name or for a place.

In reception class we will follow the Essential Letters and Sounds phonics. The children will be introduced to sounds in week 2 and we will send home appropriate reading books which link to the sounds we are learning. Children benefit hugely from being read to every night. Please provide the time and opportunities for children to practice their blending and segmenting daily.

Understanding the World

At St Cuthbert, children will gain insight to the physical world and their community by talking about members of their immediate family and those in the community who help us.

We love to hear about the children' s families and promote their sense of belonging. For our project this term we will ask the children to make a family portrait to bring in to share.

Expressive Arts and Design

At St Cuthbert, children will have the opportunity to explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express ideas and feelings.

Children will have access to the Art Area which is self-directed and allows children to make design choices that suit their wants and needs. During Art lessons, children will develop an understanding of core concepts such as observation. As the children' s art knowledge grows, we will introduce different tools and develop new techniques.