



Half Term Curriculum Overview



Reception Autumn 2026

English

Oracy: We will be practicing our listening and speaking skills throughout the year through a variety of games and activities.

We will be using a Drawing Club approach to bridge the gap between spoken language, imagination, and physical writing.

Autumn Term Goals: Boost Fine Motor Skills: Developing pencil grip, control, and hand strength through focused, high-engagement drawing.

Encourage Mark-Making: Giving purpose to early marks, lines, and shapes by connecting them to specific meanings or stories.

Phonics

Unit 1: s,a,t,i, m (no tricky words taught)

Unit 2: n, o, p (is/ a)

Unit 3: b, c, g, h (the, I, to, into, go, no)

Unit 4 d, e, f, v (for/ of)

Unit 5: k, l, r, u (are)

Unit 6: j, w, z (was)

Topic

Autumn 1

Me and My Superhero's!

All about Me

My Family

My Friends

People who help us

Autumn 2

Let's Celebrate

Bonfire Night and Diwali

Remembrance

Birthdays

Christmas

Forest Friday

Observations season/weather

Art with nature

Nature identification

Fairy Houses

Mini beast hunt

Music

Children will use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes.

We will play untuned instruments musically

We will experiment with, create, select and combine sounds after learning about pitch, dynamics and tempo.

Mathematics

- Subitizing
- Counting objects
- Understanding the composition of numbers
 - Understand more/ fewer
- Use time language (yesterday, today, tomorrow)
 - 2D and 3D shapes

RE and PSHE

Why is the word God so important to Christians?

Hinduism

Harvest

Christmas

Me and my relationships

Valuing Difference

Physical Education

- First PE / Enjoy a ball
- Multi-skills
- Celebratory dances for Diwali and Bonfire Night

Homework

Reading: 4 times a week.