



St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School
EYFS Curriculum Map
Spring Term 2 – 2026

PRIME AREAS OF LEARNING

R.E This is a core subject	Communication & Language	Personal, Social & Emotional Development	Physical Development
Our theme for this half term is Desert to Garden. During this topic we will hear the scripture story of the Great Commandment and explore how we live this out in our everyday lives. We will then explore a simplified version of the Easter Story, finding out how we prepare during Lent for the important celebration of Easter and learning about the events of Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday Good Friday and Easter Sunday. 	We will focus on; - Understanding how to listen carefully and asking questions to check they understand what has been said. - Retelling a full story- beginning, middle and end. - Expressing their views when they disagree with someone. 	We will focus on; - Describing their own abilities in realistic terms. - Talking about right and wrong and the consequences involved. - Being happy to have a go at tasks and know we can learn from mistakes. - Being able to play with other children elaborating and extending play ideas. 	Gross motor skills Mini beasts- Performing the basic skill of jumping. Travelling under, over and through balance and climbing equipment. Catching a large ball Catching with increased accuracy Rolling in a variety of ways Fine motor skills- Use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently- scissors, tweezers, paintbrushes. Begin to form correctly letters in the curly caterpillar, long ladder and one armed robot families, using the correct starting point for different groups of letters.

SPECIFIC AREAS OF LEARNING

Literacy	Mathematics
This half term we will consolidate and apply all phase 3 phonemes. We will work towards reading sentences with phase 3 phonemes and tricky words. Re read books to build fluency, confidence, enjoyment and understanding. We will make predictions about what might happen in stories and say what a character might be thinking, saying or feeling. Orally compose sentences in their head. Write a simple phrase leaving finger spaces. Drawing Club Stories are:- Penguin Small	In our maths work we will use Mastering Number and White Rose maths. We will focus on the 'staircase' pattern and ordering numbers. We will look at ordering of numbers to 8 Use language of less than. We will focus on composition of 7. We will learn about doubles – explore how some numbers can be made with 2 equal parts. We will also sort numbers according to attributes - odd and even numbers. Time

Tiddalik Jack and the Beanstalk It is crucial for ALL reception children to read their home reading books and ebook on Oxford Owl as much as possible.	Sequencing events Beginning to recognise the days of the week and significant times during the day 3d Shapes Exploring 3d shapes and using the correct mathematical language to name and describe them Pattern Recognising, continuing and creating repeating patterns.
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Expressive, Arts and Design	Understanding the World
This half term we will provide opportunities to – Explore different ways of joining materials. Develop control of tools and techniques whilst working on Mother’s Day cards and Easter crafts. Follow a steady pulse. Copy and create simple rhythms by clapping, tapping and using instruments. 	Amazing Animals Through this topic we will be- • Finding out about the features of different animals. • Comparing animals found in different habitats, in particular Polar and Australian animals. • Recognise similarities and differences between environments (features of hot and cold places). • Knowing where hot and cold places are in the world. • Exploring natural materials, using their senses. • Spring- Recognising signs of spring, exploring growing and planting. Learning about animals and their young. 

Additional Information	Characteristics of Effective Learning
PE Day will be Wednesday - the children should come to school dressed in their PE kit. This half term we will have a real focus on ‘tricky words’. Please spend some time helping your child to recognise the words quickly. Home Reading books will be collected on THURSDAYS and new books issued on FRIDAYS. New ebooks will be issued on MONDAYS	Throughout Reception, we focus on how to become a super star learner. Please see the characteristics of effective learning below.

23rd February – Chinese dance workshop

5th March- St Martha Class Mass – 10.00

6th March- We will celebrate World Book Day

12th March- Stay and Pray- 9.00

26th March- Stations of the Cross

**Playing and Exploring
– Engagement**

- Finding out and exploring
- Playing with what they know
- Being willing to 'have a go'

**Active Learning
– Motivation**

- Being involved and concentrating
- Keeping trying
- Enjoying achieving what they set out to do

**Creating and Thinking
Critically
– Thinking**

- Having their own ideas
- Making links
- Choosing ways to do things