



“With Christ in our hearts, together we grow.”
Reception Parent Planning Week Beginning 20th May 2019

MATHS	LITERACY	COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE	
<p>Beat the clock! – Our maths this week is very active. The children will be set challenges against the clock. We will be using sand timers and stop watches to set a period of time in which the children have to complete the challenge.</p> <p>The challenges include – How many bean bags can you throw in to the hoop in the time? How many times can you run to a point and back in the time? How many jumps can you do in the time?</p> <p>Estimation – The children will be using their estimation skills to complete a set of practical challenges like the ones below – ‘How many bricks will be in the tower before it falls down?’ How many objects are in the jar? How many scoops of water will it take to fill the container? <i>At home: Setting challenges is a great thing to do with your child in the garden or in the park. The whole family can play along and helps the children to enjoy the outdoors.</i></p>	<p>Having looked back at the children’s writing from the beginning of the year, it is wonderful to see what amazing progress they have made in, what is a relatively short space of time.</p> <p>The children are getting the hang of writing sentences and this week we are going to have a go at making up and writing a short story about a Knight, Dragon and Castle. The children will start off with props so that they can act out stories in small groups. We will then make a story map together and finally have a go at writing the story. The children will get to illustrate their story too. <i>At home: when reading stories with your child, talk about alternative story lines to encourage your child to use their imagination and come up with stories of their own.</i></p>	<p>The key to becoming a successful writer is having very good communication skills. Children need to be confident with what they know before they can share it with others. Before the children have a go at writing their own stories, they will have the opportunity to act out stories that are very familiar to them. The children will be acting out Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Three Billy Goats Gruff and the Three Little Pigs etc.</p> <p>The challenge will be to change some of the events in the stories. It might be that the wolf manages to blow down the brick house! Goldilocks might not runaway but become good friends with the bear and the smallest Billy Goat Gruff might save the day!</p>	
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<p>This week the children will be talking about who their friends are, what makes a good friend and what might sometimes go wrong within friendships.</p> <p>We will be making a collage of each classes handprints to represent the fact that we are all friends in school and that we have each other to rely on.</p> <p>The children will be encouraged to draw a picture of themselves with their friends and write about why they like their friends and what they like to play with them.</p> <p><i>At home: Friends are very important to us throughout our lives. Talk to your child about your own friends. How long have you been friends? What do you like about your friend and what do you like doing together?</i></p>	<p>It was lovely to hear the children talking so knowledgeably about how we look after our bodies and minds in our keeping healthy discussion last week.</p> <p>This week we will be discussing the children’s sports day. We will be practising our games and races in PE and making sure that the children understand the importance of drinking water throughout the day. Children do not need to bring a water bottle with them to school as a water jug and cups are available to them all day. Drinks are also given to the children who have school meals.</p>	<p>Please continue to bring in: Recycling materials for children to turn into masterpieces. Any unwanted rolls of wallpaper Any other unused stationary such as envelopes, greeting cards etc.</p>	<p>Half Term ends on Friday 24th May</p> <p>Whole School Mass – 10am All parents are invited to attend and stay for refreshments afterwards.</p> <p>PE Kits needed every Friday</p> <p>Sports Day – Thursday 6th June 9.30am</p>