



Our School Vision: At St George's we are proud to be one family of lifelong learners who know they are special to God. Our family is built upon a strong sense of belonging and mutual respect. Our community gives our children the freedom to flourish and succeed.

... A flourishing fellowship: learning together with God by our side ...

Theme:

The topic for this half term is 'Mini-beast Hunters'. We will be learning all about how things grow and the importance of mini-beasts in our environment. We will be visited by 'The Mini-beast Man' who will bring in a range of mini-beasts for the children to see. Also, we will be learning about how foods grow and the importance of eating a healthy diet.

Expressive Art and Design:

Linked to our theme, we will be exploring art in nature. We will be looking at the work of Van Gogh, in particular his painting of the Sunflowers. The children will be encouraged to work independently to select appropriate tools and use them safely.

Literacy:

In Literacy, we will be reading books all themed around our topic. These will include: 'The Hungry Caterpillar', 'The Tiny Seed' and 'The Bad Tempered Ladybird' all by Eric Carle, as well as, 'Snail Trail' by Ruth Brown and 'by James Mayhew.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

We will be encouraging the children to talk in small groups through learning activities and circle time to develop the children's social skills and self-confidence. We will continue instilling our Christian virtues, which this half term will be 'Trust'.

Mathematics:

The children will continue with mastering the skill of addition and subtraction. We will also introduce finding equal groups and counting in 2's and 10's. Also, we will be learning the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

Phonics:

We will continue daily phonic sessions where we will be revising and consolidating phase 3 and 4. Also, we will be revising phase 3 and 4 tricky words. We will be encouraging the children to write their own full sentences using digraphs, trigraphs, tricky words and punctuation.

Understanding the world:

We will continue with forest school. We will be talking about changes in seasons looking at deciduous and evergreen trees. We will be comparing ourselves to other creatures and using our outdoor environment to create mini habitats. We will be discussing what living things need to grow and planting our own flowers/vegetables.

PE:

Mrs Marsh and Miss Thorn: Every Tuesday

We will be indoors and outdoors this half term and will be a mixture of gym, games and dance. The children will need school PE t-shirts, plimsolls and. Please make sure all clothes are named including shoes and socks. This will solve any mix-ups. **On PE days children will need to wear their PE kit to school.**

Reading:

The children have the opportunity to change their reading books daily. We will also continue to assign books to each child online, through Bug Club. Reading with your child at least 3 times a week greatly increases their progress.

Dates to remember:

Keep an eye on the Newsletter for up-to-date information. If any parent would like to come and read to the children in their home language, please speak to your child's teacher. This would be a really valuable opportunity for the children to experience.

Home Learning:

We will issue home learning tasks that can be completed weekly over the duration of a half term. We will ask for homework books to be returned at the end of each term.

Other: What you need and when:

Coat: Please provide your child with a warm coat every day, which they can easily put on themselves. The children learn outside in all weather and need to be dressed appropriately.

Water: A named water bottle— this needs to be filled each day and brought into school. It would help us if children could bring a tissue box in at the beginning of term. We cannot accept responsibility for the children's belongings going missing. To avoid the likelihood of this happening, please ensure all items brought to school are clearly named.

PARENTS: The school is always looking for an extra set of hands.....all children love to see Mum, Dad, Nan or Granddad helping out in school. Do you have any special skills you could offer? Can you garden, play games, make things...the list is endless! We would love any offers of help. If you are able to offer any help, please speak to the class teacher or one of our office staff.

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