St Cecilia's Catholic Infant and Nursery School
Reception Theme Overview Spring 2

Communication and Language

Listening and Attention
Following directions and simple instructions
Maintaining attention
Understanding
Following a story without pictures and prompts
Speaking
Retelling familiar stories
Introducing stories into role play
Story Focus
The Three Little Pigs
The Three Billy Goats Gruff

Literacy

Phonics
Phase 2/3 Letters and Sounds phonic sessions
Reading
Beginning to read words and simple sentences
Enjoying an increasing range of books
Understanding that information can be found in books and on computers
Writing
Writing own name and other things, such as labels and captions
Attempting to write short sentences in meaningful contexts

Wow Moments

World Book Day
Spring walk
Living eggs
Easter egg hunt

Personal Social and Emotional Development

Making Relationships
Taking steps to resolve conflicts with other children
Self-confidence and Self awareness
Being confident to talk in a familiar group
Managing Feelings and Behaviour
Beginning to negotiate and solve problems.

Understanding the World

People and Communities
Learning about other people's culture and beliefs –Lent, Mother's Day, St Patrick's Day, Easter
The World
Look closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change
Make observations of animals and plants
Technology
Using the internet to find out about animals and plants

Expressive Art and Design

Exploring Media and Materials
Recognising and following simple rhythm and exploring sounds
Exploring materials and tools
Looking at colours linked to spring/animals
Looking at artists work on spring/animals
Observational drawing, collages and printing (blossom paintings)
Being Imaginative
Using props to create different role play environments

Physical Development

Moving and Handling
Fine Motor Skills
Holding a pencil correctly and using different media and materials to make and build
Gross Motor Skills
Riding bikes and scooters
Dancing in response to music
Balancing Skills
Health and Self-care
Being able to dress and undress myself
Personal hygiene-washing hands correctly after the toilet, playing out, before eating etc

Mathematical Development

Number
Continuing to recognise, count and order
Consolidating addition including counting all and counting on.
Introduce practical subtraction
Practising number bonds to 10
Practising correct number formation
Shape, Space and Measure
Reviewing properties of 2D and 3D shapes– corners, sides, faces
Practising positional language through everyday language and stories e.g. behind, under, beside

RSE/Journey in Love
Emotional

How do I feel about my friends? How do I feel if I am left out?

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Come and See

Gathering
Growing
Lent/Easter