





St. Paul's C.E. Primary School

Reception Curriculum Overview 2025-2026

Spring 1



Specific Areas		
RE	Literacy	Maths / Number
<p>Why do Christians put a cross in the Easter garden?</p> <p>We will be learning about the Easter story in RE this half term. We will talk about why we celebrate Easter and we will enjoy creating our own Easter Garden towards the end of the half term!</p>	<p>This half term in Literacy we will be writing small captions using a guided approach. We will learn about finger spaces and start to look at writing more independently towards the end of the half term.</p> 	<p>In Maths this half term we will be learning about odd and even, linked to sharing equally, doubling practically, making 4 & 5, practical subtraction, recalling double facts and counting beyond 20.</p> 
Books we will be reading	Author of the half term	Special Events/ Reminders
<p>The Polar Bear and the Snow Cloud</p> <p>Lost and Found</p> <p>Emperors Egg</p> <p>The Big Dark</p> <p>Non-fiction books</p> <p>Atlas</p> 	<p>Eric Carle</p> 	<p>Please remember to send your child in the correct uniform and school shoes. We do not have a PE day in Reception until June.</p> <p>Reading books are changed every Monday so please ensure you send the reading book back in your child's bag.</p> <p>Please have a go at the phonics homework with your child to embed their learning further!</p>

Personal, Social, Emotional Development	Communication and Language	Physical Development
<p>This half term we will be focusing on encouraging the children to work together and be part of a team. We will be working on listening to others and building stronger relationships with our friends and peers.</p> <p>We will also talk about what exercise is and how it is good for us. We will participate in some yoga and relaxation activities and we will talk about how to eat healthily and live a healthy lifestyle.</p>	<p>We will be working on our listening skills this half term. We will be able to understand and respond to instructions by the end of the half term. We will also be introducing a story line to our play and working on answering how and why questions.</p> 	<p>This half term we will be focusing on our gross motor skills, for example,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Larger movements – parachute games, creating our own obstacle courses etc. • Riding a pedal bike • Avoiding obstacles • Playing competitive games – bench ball, tig etc.
Key Vocabulary	Topic	Sounds to Learn
<p>Easter</p> <p>double</p> <p>half</p> <p>Arctic</p> <p>ice</p> <p>snow</p> <p>winter</p> <p>frozen</p>	<p>Frozen Planet</p> 	<p>New phonemes ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear, air, er, dd, mm, tt, bb, rr, gg, pp, ff</p> <p>Tricky Words: was, you, they, my, by, all, are, sure, pure</p> 