

# Reception Curriculum Overview



Autumn 2 2025



## ENGLISH

This half term, we will be exploring the story, 'Meerkat Christmas' where we will jump into storyland each week to help the characters solve a problem. During these visits to storyland, we will be exploring hot and cold countries and finding out about how Christmas is celebrated around the world.

In Phonics, we will be revisiting the Set 1A sounds then moving on to Set 1B. We will continue to focus on our oral blending skills and our segmenting of words using our magnetic boards.

We will be developing our love of stories using Tales Toolkit and visiting Ashton Library.

## MATHS

In Maths, we will be finding, subitising and representing 4 and 5. This will include composing the amounts using the part, part whole boards.

We will also be developing our awareness of one more and one less with the numbers 1 to 5.

Following this, we will be identifying, naming and combining shapes with 4 sides. We will then be exploring shapes in the environment.

At the end of the half term, we will be exploring the vocabulary used to sequence my night and day.

## Art

In Art we will be developing our understanding of colours, including learning the primary colours, how to mix these colours to make secondary colours and using colour for a purpose.

## P.E.

In PE we will be developing our speed, agility and travel through a variety of movements and games.



## Celebrations and Events

This half term will also be exploring:

- Bonfire Night
- Remembrance Day
- Anti-Bullying Week
- Rail Safety
- Christmas
- Trip to Ashton Library
- Grandparents' Decoration Day

## SCIENCE

In Science, we will be exploring light and dark, including exploring the torches within the environment with a range of materials.

We will also be discussing the change of season from Summer to Autumn.

## GEOGRAPHY

In Geography, we will be talking about the features of our own environment and comparing these to warmer countries, including those with deserts.

## R.E.

Our big question this half term is, 'Why do some Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas?' Within this question we will be reading and retelling the Christmas Nativity and naming the characters in the story.

## PSHE

In PSHE, we will be celebrating difference where we will be developing our awareness of respecting others similarities and differences. We will be talking about how to be kind to our friends and how to appropriately stand up for ourselves.