

St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School



We give thanks to God, work together and always try our best.

Reception class curriculum newsletter: Summer 2025

Message from the Reception team:

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the final term in Reception class. The year has gone so quickly and we cannot quite believe how far the children have come during their time with us.

Summer term is always lots of fun in Reception. We love making the most of the outdoor area so please remember sun cream and sun hats. Of course, we use the outdoor area in all weathers so a waterproof jacket is still a must!

We are looking forward to the last term working together as a team to ensure that all of the children are ready for Year 1 in September.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Reception team.

Key dates for the Diary

Family beach day: Thursday 3rd July

Sports day: Tuesday 8th July

End of term: Thursday 17th July

Key Information

PE

PE days are Monday and Wednesday. The children will carry on with their 'Little Movers' sessions and will also do athletics and gymnastics. Children should come into school wearing PE kit on these days.

Reading bags

Please ensure that your child brings in their reading bag containing their reading book and reading diary every day. We ask that you read with your child at least three times each week. Please sign and date your child's reading diary each time you read.

Phonics

Check your child's phonics file regularly to see which new sounds we have learned. If you have forgotten your Floppy's Phonics login details, please let us know.

Water Bottles, sun-cream and sun hat.

Please ensure your child brings in a water bottle every day. Sun cream must be applied at home.

Summer Term learning in Reception

RE: This term our R.E. work focuses upon three themes: Good News, Friends and Our World. In 'Good News' we will learn about Pentecost and the celebration of the Good News of Jesus. In the 'Friends' topic we will learn what Jesus teaches us about friendship. In our final topic, 'Our World', we will celebrate the wonderful world given to us by God.

Maths: This term we will consolidate our work on numbers to 10. We will count, subitise, add and subtract with these numbers and we will work on developing automatic recall of some number bonds. We will begin to work on counting to 20 and beyond. We will explore the properties of shapes. We will also do some work on sharing and grouping and will discuss odd and even numbers.

English: This term we will continue to have daily Floppy's phonics lessons. We will continue to focus on handwriting, teaching correct letter formation. Our hugely popular Drawing Club sessions will continue, enabling the children to use their imaginations as they write words, captions and sentences.

Other Curriculum Areas

In **Science**, we will learn about seasonal change. We will also learn about Outer space and gravity.

In **History**, we will learn about how South Shields has changed over time. We will also spend some time learning about Space and Planets and we will learn about the moon landings.

In **Geography**, we will learn about South Shields and compare it to other places. We will draw simple maps of familiar routes and places which we know well.

In **R.S.H.E**, your child will be learning about topics including 'My body, my rules', 'Feeling poorly', 'Safe inside and out' and 'People who help us'. We will also be covering 'What is the internet?' and 'Playing online'.

In **Art**, we will use papier mache to make model planets. The children will use paint and collage to create a wide range of effects. We will focus on observational drawing and painting, encouraging the children to look closely at what they are trying to recreate.

In **Music**, the children will use the glockenspiels to accompany their singing. We will learn a range of songs including songs from around the world. The children will move to the beat of the music.

