

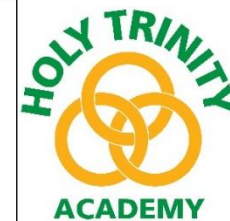
Communication and Language

At school, we love listening and joining in with stories, songs and rhymes, and we make time for this every day. We will also learn to talk and listen to each other when we are making up games and playing inside and outside the classroom. During the day we have 'carpet times' when we all come together and find out what everyone has been up to. We also use this time to listen, learn and have a go at new things altogether.

My Bear and I



Holy Trinity
Church of England Academy,
Calne
Class –Reception.
Terms 1 and 2, Autumn 2021.



Please note:

- ❖ All children start full time on **Thursday 16th September**.
- ❖ Please provide your child with a packed lunch from this date or order a school lunch (2 weeks in advance) from www.suebradycatering.com



Welcome Reception! We are going to have a fantastic first term, welcoming your child and yourselves into the Holy Trinity family. This term, the children will spend time getting to know their classroom, trying some new activities and making friends. They will also learn what to do at different times of the day (e.g. snack, lunchtime, carpet time) and get to know the grown-ups at school who will look after them. If you have any queries, please just let me know at the beginning or end of the school day and I'll be happy to help.

Mrs Chichon

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be getting to know our class and school, learning to do our morning jobs by ourselves and look after our own belongings (e.g. school bag, water bottles, coats and jumpers). We will also be learning new names and getting to know new friends by playing nicely together and sharing. We will get to know our class 'golden rules' too. Bertie the Bear will sometimes tell us stories or teach us new games during 'circle times'.



Physical Development

Physical activity is vital in children's all-round development, enabling them to pursue happy, healthy and active lives. After being shown how to use the outdoor area safely, we will have the opportunity every day to use a range of equipment that will encourage us to skip, jump, hop, climb, slide, lift, move, push and kick in a variety of ways! We will also learn and talk about how to be healthy and safe at school and home (e.g. eating, sleeping, washing our hands). Every **Tuesday** we will have a PE session with a Sports Coach where we will be joining in with different team games. We will be learning to dress and undress ourselves for PE too. Lots of practice at home will really help!

Reading

Storytime is a favourite part of our day! Below are some of the stories we'll be reading together this term. When we start school full time we will have a daily phonics lesson which will help us to learn to read and write. We will hold a Parents Reading Workshop this term too so you can find out how we teach your child this vital and enjoyable life skill.



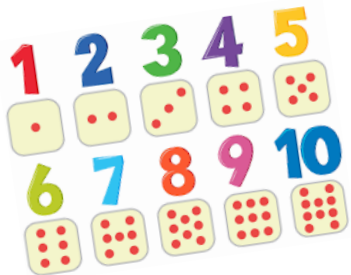
Writing

To help us get ready to write, we will be joining in with lots of fun activities (e.g. giant chalks, mud play, playdough, tweezer games, climbing frame, ball games) to help us develop our gross motor skills (big arm movements) and fine motor skills (small controlled movements). Alongside this, we will have a go at writing the 'sounds' we're learning in our phonics lessons, and we will be learning to write our names too.



Maths

We will be singing lots of nursery rhymes to help us count to 10, going on number hunts and having a go at writing numbers too. We will count sticks, toys, pebbles, leaves, skips and jumps then see if we can find the right numerals to match. We will also enjoy measuring how tall and short different objects are, and making simple patterns using colours too.



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Our school value this term is:
Responsibility

The children will attend daily
Collective Worship from **Monday 20th**
September.

Understanding the World

We have a welly walk every week so please provide your child with a pair of named wellies to keep at school. Please come and talk to us if this is tricky as we do have some spare pairs. We will be exploring how the outside world changes through the seasons and creating some giant maps! We will also be learning about different families and talking about how our family is special to us.



Expressive Arts and Design

We love being creative and using our imaginations in Reception! This term the children will be painting self-portraits, drawing pictures of their families, having a go at some experimental cooking and creating their own bears! We will also be making up stories, plays and songs with each other and creating imaginative worlds with different resources. The children will have opportunities on a daily basis to create freely in whichever way they choose.