



St. Wilfrid's Church of England Primary Academy

'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.'
Philippians 4:13



Nursery Autumn Term Newsletter

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of the children to Nursery.

Our Curriculum:

(Curriculum Overviews can be accessed on the school website)

We are using the early adopter version of the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will be learning to make new friends and to get along with others. We will be having small groups time to develop the children's confidence in speaking in a small group. During 'circle time' we will be thinking about how our words and actions affect other people and talking about our class rules.

Speaking and Listening

The children will be given lots of opportunities during small group sessions such as chatting time to develop their speaking and listening skills. These skills will also be supported through continuous provision whilst they are playing and interacting with the other children.

Physical Development

The children will have continuous access to the outdoor environment, where they will be able to ride the bikes, develop their throwing and catching skills, practise writing on a larger scale and use the climbing frame. The children will also go into the hall to do movement to music.

Maths

This term, the children will be practising counting and sorting objects. They will be learning the names of different shapes and finding out how many sides the different shapes have. We will also be sharing some of the stories from 'Boo Zoo' which cover all aspects of mathematics.

Literacy

The children will have the opportunity to practise their writing in the writing area and writing labels for different parts of the body. We will be listening to stories with increasing attention and retelling stories in the correct sequence. Through our 'letters and sounds' work the children will begin to recognise different sounds by playing a variety of listening games.

Understanding the World

As part of our topic we will be looking at how we have changed from being a baby and what toys we used to play with.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will be given opportunities to develop different art skills such as painting, collage and drawing. This half term our Role Play area will be a house.

Focus Themes:

Autumn Term 1: 'I'm Special, I'm Me'

Autumn Term 2: 'Tell me a Story'

Focus Reading Text:

A range of stories about ourselves and a range of traditional tales.

Recommended Websites:

www.saintwilfrids.wigan.sch.uk CBeebies. In particular Alphablocks

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

Please help your child to develop their use of a mouse if you have a computer at home

Twitter Accounts to follow:

@St_Wilfrids_CE @StWilfridsMusic @StWilfridsSport

Home Learning:

Personal, Social and Emotional

We ask that you encourage your child to be as independent as possible when using the toilet and with dressing themselves.

Sharing Learning: We will be using the online software 'Evidence Me' to support the sharing of your child's learning this year. If you already have an account set up due to your child attending our Nursery you will receive any notifications to the email address you have already registered. Parents who do not have an account set up will receive a letter with the option to register, if you have not already done so during your visit. Invitation emails to the address sent will be sent out in the next few weeks. Please check your junk email as they can arrive there. The email will come from 2eskimos which is the software company that develop the site. Please share with us pictures of your child's learning outside of school to help us know more about your child's skills and development.

All children will have the opportunity to hear a variety of high quality 'reading for pleasure' texts and 'recommended reads' linked to their focus theme during the school week.

Literacy: We encourage that you share stories and read with your children at bedtime and talk about the pictures in the book and what is happening in the story. We also encourage providing audible books for your children to listen to as this can help with children's interest in books.

Maths: To encourage counting you can get your child to set the table. For example, counting out the correct number of cutlery for the family. Also playing simple board games which involve counting dots on dice or spaces on a board.

Understanding of the World: To help your child to understand how they are different from being a baby, you could look at baby photos of them and talk about how you have all changed.

Topic Homework: Children may also be given other types of homework during the course of the year via Purple Mash.

If you are unable to access Purple Mash, please let your child's class teacher know by contacting the school office.

