Gospel Values

The Gospel Values are at the heart of all we do and inspire our work

Humility, seeing life as a gift

Compassion, empathy

Kindness, gentleness

Justice, working for a fairer world

Forgiveness, reconciliation

Integrity, do what you say

Peace, committed to peace making, non-violence

Courage, standing up for truth



R.E

In RE we will be finding out about Judaism, Hinduism and Sikhism looking at holy text, buildings and traditions. We will be finding out about different beliefs and reflecting on how everybody is different but deserves to be treated with love and respect.

Characteristics Of Effective Learning

At St Mary's we want our children to be the best they can be, we encourage a love of learning through our Characteristics:

Go for it Gorilla: I will have a go

Editing Elephant: I can edit and improve my work Creative Chameleon: I have my own ideas

Concentrating Crocodile: I join in and concentrate

Persevering Parrot: I keep trying

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This term we will be preparing ourselves for going into Year1. This includes taking on more difficult challenges and tasks independently. Our topic on the Farm will also give us opportunities to think about caring for something other than ourselves and working as a team.

We will be trying to develop our confidence enabling us to think about what we are good at and share our ideas when facing a new activity or challenge. Linked to this we are going to be thinking about when we need help and who may help us if we are stuck.

Communication and Language

Our topic this half term gives the children a lot of opportunity to learn new vocabulary, ask questions and explain their own knowledge. We will be focussing on building the children's Confidence in writing independently.

We will also continue our Talk for Writing with some focus stories linked to our topic. Our first story will be The Enormous Turnip. Once we have learnt the story we will then make changes to create our own!

Physical Development

We will be thinking very carefully about how to look after ourselves and keep healthy. Later in the term we will be looking at our diet and exploring different healthy foods. We will also be learning to control our bodies more in order to move around confidently and safely!

We will also be working on our fine motor skills so that we can write with ease and fluidity.

<u>Understanding the World</u> Our Topic this term provides us with so many opportunities to develop in this area. We will begin to understand the different occupations surrounding farm life such as farmer, vet, machine driver, mechanic. We will be learning about the different machines found on a farm and finding out about their purpose. We will be learning to care for living things in our environment and making observations about the changes that happen. We will also compare our own environment with a farm to look for similarities and differences.



SUMMER 2: ON THE FARM

<u>Exploring Art & Design</u> The children will be combining media to create different effects and exploring how colours can be made/ changed. We will think carefully about how to use tools and techniques in order to complete a project.

Forest School

In Forest School we will be learning about how to use tools to help maintain our outside area such as loppers to trim the willow and a trowel for digging weeds. We will be doing lots of gardening growing a variety of flowers and vegetables and learning about the life cycle of a plant. We will also be using lots of natural resources around us to create lovely art projects. With it being Summer we will also investigate water collection!

Literacy

This term we will be really demonstrating the different literacy skills that we have learnt over the year. Our reading will become much more fluent and we will be using our phonic knowledge to help us read sentences. We will be recognising a range of tricky words now and we will be able to give an opinion about something we have read. Our Talk4 Writing focus is The Enormous Turnip and we will be learning to adapt the story to create our own version. We will also be learning to use the word 'and' to extend our sentences.

Maths

In Maths we will be securing our number knowledge to 20 and applying that knowledge to problems that need solving. Some children will begin counting in multiples of 2, for example counting pairs of wellington boots. The children shall also explore aspects of measure this term. We will also keep working on our confidence with number sentences having a go at writing our own with confidence!

PSHE

In our SCARF/SEAL groups we will be developing our ability to listen to each other, respect another person's choice or differences and to problem solve in a good way. We will be finding out about how to keep healthy and make healthy choices in addition to helping Harold the Giraffe make good choices.

<u>PE</u> There are lots of fantastic opportunities this term for improving our Physical skills. In PE we will be preparing for Sport's day and learning about the races. We will learn about starting positions, how to stay in our lanes, handing over the baton and completing the obstacle course. We will also try other activities such as javelin and long jump