

LACEY GREEN PRIMARY ACADEMY Reception Autumn 2 2025 Learning Overview: Space and Winter





Curriculum Guide for Parents and Guardians

Understanding the world

We will learn about:

- Signs of Winter
- Our planet, the moon and stars
- Exploring light, dark and shadows link to space and the sun
- Astronauts Neil Armstrong & Tim Peake
- The past (first man/ woman on the moon/ Guy Fawkes bonfire night)

We will do this through...

Topic lessons
Our role play shed
Adult interactions and modelling
Visits and visitors





Literacy

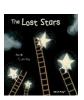
We will learn about:

- The books 'Star in a Jar', 'The Little Rocket' and 'Aliens love Underpants', 'Lost and Found'
- Non-Fiction books all about Space and Winter
- Learn new vocabulary (identify settings and characters, answer questions about stories)
- Read a range of books and poems as quality story time
- Spell words by identifying the sounds and then

Phonics

We will learn:

- Set 1 sounds
- Some Red words
- How to read CVC words





Celebrations/ events in school...

- Bonfire Night
- Remembrance Day
- Christmas Nativity
- Christingle Service at St. Bartholomew's





Physical Development

Physical activity is vital in children's all-round development, enabling them to pursue happy, healthy and active lives. Children will have opportunities to develop their gross motor skills every day in the Reception outdoor area and PE lessons once a week. Fine motor skills are developed through a range of activities.

We will learn:

- How to work as a team
- How to share equipment and take turns
- How to dodge safely
- How to play fairly and accept decisions in games



Expressive Arts and Design

We will learn to:

- Explore colour and colour mixing
- Use drawing to represent ideas
- Explore different materials freely, to develop ideas about how to use them and what to make
- Create art work based around space, bonfire night, Christingle, Winter and Christmas





We will be:

- Experimenting with different ways of playing instruments
- Playing instruments with increasing control to express our feelings and ideas
- Christingle and nativity performance and songs
- Continue learning and singing Nursery rhymes and number rhymes

Design and Technology

We will be focusing on the big idea:

- Constructing and modelling (making a Christmas decoration)

We will be:

- Designing and making a structure using different media and techniques.
- Learning how to fix materials together.
- Understanding the different processes of making something in a particular order.
- Reviewing our progress as we work to achieve our goals



Key Vocab - build, construct, attach, glue, hold

Religious Education

We will be learning about:

- Christingle
- The Christmas Story (acting out the Nativity)
- What is Christmas (Christianity)
- Diwali
- That some places are special to members of their community.
- Recognising that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.
- Similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country.

Computing

We will learn about:

- Taking turns
- Taking and sharing photographs
- We will do this through...
- Using iPads and tripods
- Understanding how to use online apps safely
- Using maths games on the interactive board

Personal, Social and Emotional **Development**

We will learn:

- School 3 R's
- **British Values**
- To develop positive attitudes about the differences between people

We will do this through...

Firsthand experiences in play, explicit teaching, circle times, Picture News, assemblies and books

Mathematics



- Subitising & representing
- 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5
- 1 more, 1 less
- Identifying & comparing circles and triangles
- Describing position
- Composition of 1-5
- Identifying and naming shapes with
- 4 sides
- Combining shapes with 4 sides
- Shapes in the environment
- Time days of the week, our daily routine











