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The Arches Community Primary School

Welcome to FS2!



The FS2 Team

In our classroom, we have;

Miss Durrant, Mrs Newell and Mrs Birch.



Things to look forward to this term:

8/8/25—starting school full time!

12/8/25—Teddy Bear's Picnic, grown ups welcome from 2pm

15/8/25—bring in some photos or a poster 'all about you!' to share with the class

22/8/25—Individual school photographs

15/10/25 & 22/10/25—Parent's evening 3-5pm

20/10/25—Nasal flu vaccinations

21/11/25—FS2 sing along assembly—grown ups welcome at 9:10am

1/12/25—FS2 Christmas lights switch on - grown ups welcome from 2pm

8/12/25—Nativity performance 1:30pm

9/12/25—Nativity performance 11am

19/12/25—FS2 own clothes & games day (please bring 1 item)

All About Foundation Stage 2

During the Autumn 1 half-term, we are supporting transition into FS2 by holding 'stay and settle' mornings. Grown-ups are welcome to bring children into the classroom, help them choose their lunch options and settle into play. Grown-ups are welcome to stay and play with children until 9:30am.

To help keep all uniform with the right child, please label all items of clothing.

We will begin formal PE lessons after October Half Term, when children have settled into their new environment and feel comfortable within the school. PE will be on a Wednesday afternoon. Please can children bring their PE clothes & trainers into school in a labelled bag. We will be supporting them changing into their PE clothes for the afternoon. Please make sure all PE clothes are clearly labelled.

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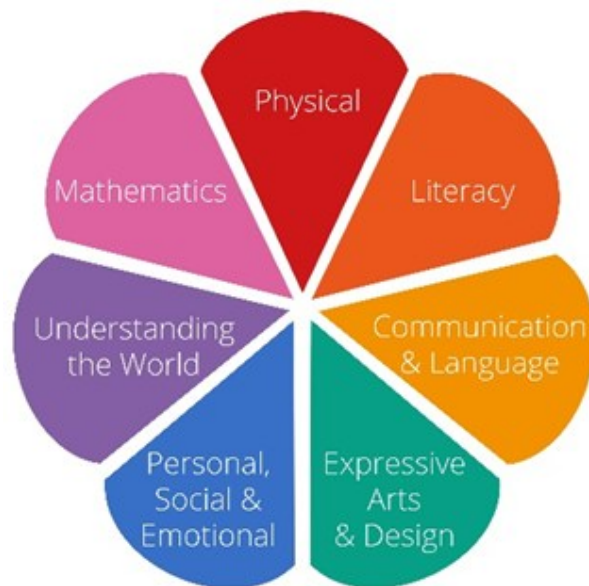
Homework books will be introduced during the Autumn 1 half term. There will be a set of 12 activities for you to complete together between September and the Christmas holidays.

We will be starting Phonics and Reading practice sessions during Autumn 1. On a Friday, your child will be given a sheet with the sounds they have learnt in the week along with a QR code to access the reading book at home. Please share together at home.

Children will be welcome to take a class library book home each day to share with grown-ups together at home as well.

FS2 Learning

In FS2, our learning is play based. We will focus on supporting your children through the 3 Prime Areas and 4 Specific Areas of learning. We will encourage your child to follow their own play interests and we will support them with this.



During the Autumn Term, our learning will following 2 key themes;

Autumn 1: All about me & Autumn

Autumn 2: Celebrations

These are a starting point for our learning and provide inspiration for children's play.

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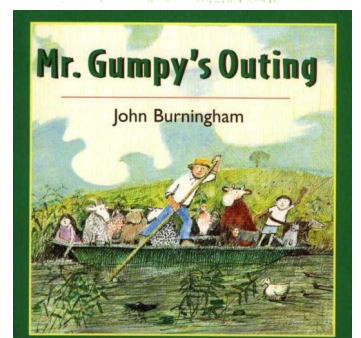
Communication and Language:

- Providing lots of conversations in play, sharing play experiences together and encouraging talking throughout the day.
- Sharing stories together.
- Sharing new vocabulary and giving opportunities to use new words throughout the environment.
- Role-play opportunities inside and outside

Literacy:

Texts: The Something by Rebecca Cobb & Mr Gumpy's Outing by John Burningham. We will be focusing on;

- Name writing
- Mark-making
- Letter formation
- Identifying sounds in words
- Writing some sounds in words
- Re-telling familiar stories



This term we will be :

Mathematics:

- Counting accurately 1-5
- Exploring number bonds to 5
- Matching numerals with their amounts
- Recognising amounts without having to count
- Exploring shapes
- Exploring mass, length and capacity
- Creating and extending patterns

Understanding of the World:

- Talk about their own life story and understand how they have changed and who lives in their home
- Learn about different family structures and who is part of their family
- Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants
- Explore the change of seasons/weather
- Know some similarities and differences between different religious, cultures and celebrations

This term we will be :

Expressive Art and Design:

- Use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques
- Experiment with colour and colour mixing
- Create pictures of their self, family and home
- Use their imagination in their play, create scenarios and play imaginatively in the home corner
- Sing and experiment with sounds and instruments

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

- Recognise different emotions and begin to regulate their behaviour
- Try new activities and show independence
- Know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly
- Play cooperatively and take turns

Physical Development

- Moving our bodies safely around the class-room and outdoor environment
- Exploring new movements; hopping, jumping, crawling, rolling, skipping, climbing
- Combining different movements with increasing ease and fluency
- Safely use small tools e.g scissors

Our Learning:

Learning Journeys

Parents as partners is fundamental within EYFS. We love to hear what your child can do at home, so it is important that you are able to contribute to their learning journeys too!

We use Tapestry learning journey via an online platform that you can access at any time, to record those special moments that celebrate your child's achievement. Log in details in will be available in September.

During the parent meetings in September, we will help you set up your account and show you how you can share your child's 'wow moments!' from home too. Please see the class teacher if you have any issues with this!

