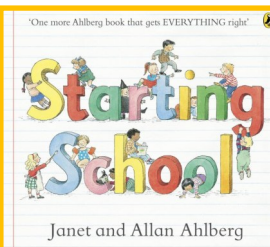




**Play.** Why is play important? Growing and learning can be fun. In fact, **playing** helps children learn about themselves and the world around them, while developing essential physical, social, language and communication skills. Playing alone or with others builds confidence and helps children understand where they fit in. Getting creative with playtime, both indoors and out, can also bring you and your child closer together, making them

**PSED** Once your child is happy, settled and following the routines, they will begin to develop friendships with other children. They will recognise that they are unique and see themselves as a valuable individual. They will Understand their own and other people's feelings, offering empathy and comfort to their friends They will learn to manage their feelings and learn how to negotiate. They will be aware of behavioural expectations.

**Communication and Language** The children will be introduced to new vocabulary through play and small group work. Grandma Fantastic will become a key focus each day sharing words found in her basket. Your children will learn to listen attentively. They will learn to listen to one another and engage in conversation.

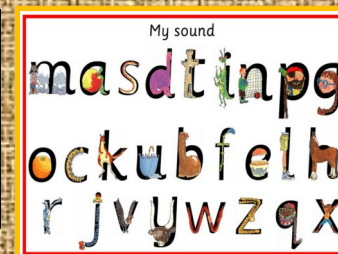


### English/ Phonics

Your child will be having daily phonic lessons they will bring home sheets with the sounds they are learning. It would be wonderful if you could sit with them each night and help them. They will also bring home a library book each week to share with you or another adult. Once your child has learnt some sounds and can blend they will bring home a reading book which will be changed each week.

### Physical

Through play the children will learn to move in a range of ways, moving freely and with confidence making changes to body shape, position, and pace of movement such as slithering, shuffling, rolling, crawling, walking, running, jumping, skipping, sliding, and hopping. Once they have developed strong gross motor skills their fine motor will improve, and they will show preference for a dominant hand. They will use anti clockwise movements and retrace vertical lines enhancing independent mark making. They will engage in daily handwriting sessions.



### English/ Drawing club

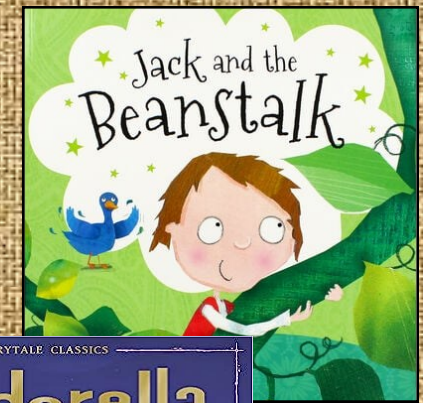
**Drawing Club** is a true adventure and is a perfect start to literacy in Reception. Based around the Golden Blend of picture books, tales and animations, it involves a short period of time together as a whole class followed by time with children exploring their ideas and creativity.



**Maths** The first three weeks are about making sure your child is happy and settled at St Georges. Then we will be doing daily maths sessions following White Rose. Through continuous provision your children will access the learning objectives through games and exciting activities.







Learning Means The World

Tell us a Story!

**Through lots of exciting activities and experiences the children will be learning to....**

- We will focus on well-known stories. Identify different types of beans. Encourage imagination and creativity, counting and measuring giants footsteps. Find out about giant animals.
- Your child will learn to listen to a wide variety of stories and identify the repeating refrains and create new ones. Look at patterns and how animals move. We will work as teams to produce large scale maps.
- We will learn to use a range of drama techniques to look at the characters in the stories and create new ones. We will identify fruit and vegetables and discuss healthy eating. We will talk about a range of materials and their purposes.
- Your children will become familiar with the story, using a range of props. They will create story maps to retell a tale. Introduce time and identify change in the story. Design a crown for Cinderella.
- We will focus on the difference between hearing and listening and why it is important to listen. We will practise ways to communicate with each other. Listen to and name different sounds.

