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Reception Spring Term Plan 2025 – 2026

Themes of Learning	Hanukkah	Stories Jesus Heard	Chinese New Year	Lost & The Great GREAT EXPLORER		Kandinsky O O O O O O O	Mother's Day	Easter
Enrichment	 Visit to church to celebrate Easter Chinese meal experience 							
Showcase	 Mother's Day Worship Reception Chinese Dragon Dance performed during worship (iMovie) 							
Parental Involvement	 Weekly newsletter – sent via Class Dojo Regular learning updates – sent via Class Dojo Parents Evening Reception families invited to Mother's Day worship 							
PSED	 Self-Regulation Identify feelings and moderate them both socially and emotionally Continue to follow the school rules: Be ready, be respectful and be safe 		notionally nool rules: nd be safe	 Managing Self Express feelings and consider the feelings of others Develop resilience and perseverance skills Manage own personal hygiene Understand overall health and wellbeing including, physical activity, healthy eating and being a safe pedestrian 		relo • Thii	relationships	



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Keeping Safe	Rights and Respect						
 What's safe to go onto my body Keeping myself safe – what's safe to go into my body Safe indoors and outdoors Listening to my feelings Keeping safe online People who help to keep me safe 	 Looking after my special people Looking after my friends Being helpful at home and caring for our classroom Caring for our world Looking after money (spending, saving and keeping it safe) 						
Listening, Attention and Understanding	Speaking						
Listen carefully	Describe events in some detail						
Learn new vocabulary across the curriculum	 Talk about fiction and non-fiction texts using new 						
 Ask questions to check for understanding 	vocabulary.						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Use social phrases e.g., "Good morning"						
	 Use new vocabulary from across the curriculum Learn poems, songs and rhymes 						
Engage in conversation	• Learn poems, songs and riightes						
Gross and Fir	ne Motor Skills						
 Use core muscle strength to achieve good posture when sitting at a table and on the floor Use a range of small and large apparatus both indoors and outside both alone and in a group 							
					 Follow the school rule of 'Legendry Lines' to support the skill of lining up and queuing Further develop small motor skills so a range of tools such as, pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors and knives, forks and spoons can be used competently, safely and confidently Further develop the skills for writing Eat with good manners in a group, taking turns and being considerate to others 		
Gymnastics	Ball Skills						
Chinese New Year Dance	Balance Bike Skills and Safety						
	(Delivered by Be Well Team – Wigan Council)						
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Secure in Faith, Learning Together



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Literacy

Comprehension

- Listen to stories, poems, non-fiction texts, rhymes and songs carefully to ensure understanding
- Re-read texts to consolidate understanding and develop new vocabulary
- Talk about stories, discuss characters, key events, what happens next?
- Use new vocabulary in different contexts
- Engage is rhymes and songs listening carefully

Writing

- Write own name including surname
- Form letters correctly linking to phonics sounds taught
- Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the spelling for the sound
- Plan sentences by orally rehearsing before writing
- Write short sentences with known sound-letter correspondences
- Begin to use capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.
- Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense.

Phonics (word reading)



Basics Three

Basics Three Sounds: j, v, w, x, y, z, zz, qu, ch, sh, th, ng, ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, er, ure, ear, air

Basics Three Tricky Words: her, was, you, he, she, we, me, be, they, my, by, are, all, some, come, so, do, little, out

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Maths	Alive in Five	Mass and Capacity	Growing 6,7 and 8	Length, Height and Time	Building 9 and 10	Explore 3D Shapes
	 Introduce zero Find, subitise and represent 0-5 1 more / 1 less Composition 	 Compare mass Find balance Explore and compare capacity 	 Find and represent 6, 7 and 8 1 more / 1 less Composition of 6, 7 and 8 Make pairs odd and even Double to 8 - find and make a double Combine two groups 	 Explore and compare length Explore and compare height Talk about, order and sequence time 	 Find 9 and 10 Compare numbers to 10 Represent 9 and 10 1 more / 1 less Composition to 10 Make arrangements of 10 Bonds to 10 (2 parts and 3 parts) Double to 10 - find and make a double Explore odd and even 	 Recognise and name 3-D shapes Find 2-D shapes within 3-D shapes 3-D shapes in the environment Copy and continue patterns Patterns in the environment
Understanding	Past and	Present	People, Culture o	ınd Communities	The Natu	ral World
the World	 Stories from before Jesus was born Me and my mum 		HanukkahChinese New YearMother's DayEaster		 Winter - seasonal changes, colours and patterns Contrasting places around the world - North and South Pole Spring - seasonal changes, new life, colours and patterns 	

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Expressive Arts and Design Creating with Materials	 Artist: Kandinsky - Concentric Circles Painting including colour mixing Drawing - with increasing complexity and detail Printing Collage work Joining techniques including glue, sticky tape, split pins Create pieces of art work both collaboratively and independently 				
Being Imaginative and Expressive	 Learn a variety of songs and rhymes Sing in a group or on their own Explore and engage in music making and dance on a theme (Chinese New Year) Learn songs to sing during worship with the rest of the school Learn the Mother's Day songs and perform them at the Mother's Day worship Develop storylines within pretend play using props and costumes 				
Music (Sing up Music)	 Shake my Sillies Out Up and Down Five Fine Bumble Bees 				
Computing	Programming 1: All about Instructions Learning to receive and give instructions and understand the importance of precise instructions	Computing Systems and Networks 2: Exploring Hardware Exploring hardware and learning to use a camera			
R.E.	Stories Jesus Heard	Easter			
	Which stories did Jesus hear when he was a child?	Why do Christians believe that Easter is all about love?			
	Hanukkah				
	How do Jewish people celebrate Hanukkah? Judaism				



Christian Values	Generosity	Courage
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