

Curriculum Overview | Guru Nanak Sikh Academy

Reception | Spring 1 | 2020-2021 | Animals



Communication, Language and Literacy

This half term children will be learning about the following language and literacy areas:

- They will listen to, understand and discuss stories including **The Three Little Pigs, The Great Pet Sale** and **Dear Zoo**.
- They will have the chance to read **non-fiction texts** about animals and learn facts from them.
- The children will work through the Phase 3 phonics sounds and high frequency words.
- They will learn about different adjectives and interesting vocabulary.
- They will have the chance to write in different genres including: descriptions, instructions, lists and posters.

Mathematics

Numbers:

Reception children will develop and deepen their understanding of numbers to 20 by:

- Recapping identifying, ordering and counting numbers to 20
- Counting in 2s and making pairs
- Counting songs
- Practical addition and subtraction
- Estimating amounts and counting

Shape, Space and Measure:

Pupils will be learning how to:

- Sequence the order of the day
- Learn about weight (heavy and light) and height (tall and short)
- Recap money
- Patterns reflecting animal colours.

Expressive Art and Design

Reception children will develop their artistic and design skills through:

- Collage - creating images of animals
- Modelling - making animals out of recycled materials, clay or playdough, making small world models out of boxes
- Use of colour - shading with a pencil, using colouring pencils or paint

Understanding the World

This half term, pupils will learn about:

- How to take care of animals and pets
- Characteristics of wild animals and their habitats
- The role of zoos in protecting animals
- What Vets do and how they help us
- What is happening to our world and endangered animals

The children will also celebrate Guru Gobind Singh Ji's birthday.

Moving and Handling/Health and Self Care

This term the children will be encouraged to be as active as possible by completing different physical tasks such as moving like different animals, Bhangra, yoga, throwing and catching, running and balancing.

Through their phonics and literacy they will continue to hold a pencil correctly and learn to write a sentence in a line, form recognisable, cursive letters.

Through their art and design tasks they will manipulate objects to form recognisable shapes.

PSHE

This term in PSHE the children will look at:

- Acceptable and unacceptable behaviour
- How to independently resolve issues
- Think about and describe their own feelings
- Learning about emotions and how to deal with them such as jealousy, loneliness etc
- How to look after pets and other animals
- New Year's Resolutions

Music

This term in Music the children will have the opportunity to learn and sing different nursery rhymes and songs to do with animals. They will think about their reaction to different music and listen for rhythms and patterns in the songs.

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Reception | Spring 2 | 2020-2021 | Growth



Communication, Language and Literacy

This half term children will be learning about the following language and literacy areas:

- They will listen to, understand and discuss stories including **The Gigantic Turnip, The Gingerbread Man** and **The Very Hungry Caterpillar**.
- They will have the chance to read **non-fiction texts** about growth and taking care of themselves.
- The children will continue to work through and recap the Phase 3 phonics sounds and high frequency words.
- They will learn how to retell stories using expressions and actions.
- They will have the chance to extend their vocabulary by learning different synonyms for words and write in a range of genres such as descriptions, explanations, recipes and fact files.
- The children will be encouraged to speak in full sentences and begin to ask questions about stories and their learning.

Mathematics

Reception pupils will continue to build on their number knowledge by:

- Continuing to develop their addition and subtraction skills
- Counting in 2s and singing counting songs
- Doubling and halving different numbers
- Learning about odd and even numbers

The children will also develop their maths knowledge in the following areas:

- Time: learning about key hours in the school day, days of the week, months in the year and sequencing events chronologically
- Shapes: looking at symmetry and patterns
- Measurement: looking at height and changes over time

Expressive Art and Design

Reception children will develop their artistic and design skills through activities such as:

- Studying the work of a famous artist
- Learning about still life and observational drawings
- Experimenting with making different shades of colours
- Modelling and collages: making gingerbread people out of clay or playdough, making outfits using different collage materials

Understanding the World

This half term, pupils will learn about:

- Healthy food and healthy eating
- Growth and life cycles, including observing seeds
- The role of the Dentist and how they help us

The children will also learn about significant days including Mother's Day and Chinese New Year. They will have the chance to learn about Vaisakhi and the story of Easter.

Moving and Handling/Health and Self Care

In Spring 2 the children will continue to follow the Real PE scheme, improving their ability to move in different ways, balance, change direction and avoid obstacles.

They will take part in activities such as obstacle courses, playground games and races and acting out stories by moving energetically in different ways.

PSHE

This term in PSHE children will learn about:

- How to take care of themselves including how to look after and brush their teeth correctly as well as how to wash their hands properly
- How to be healthy by eating the right food and staying active
- How to take care of others

They will also discuss how they have changed so far this year and learn how to listen to others and take account of other people's ideas.

Music

This term in Music the children will have the opportunity to learn and sing different nursery rhymes and songs to do with growing. They will think about their reaction to different music and listen for rhythms and patterns in the songs.