

**Foundation Phase**  
**Autumn Term 2021 - Curriculum Overview**

Welcome/ Croeso

Theme: Our Local Area/ Mini beasts

**Language, Literacy and Communication**

Nursery and Reception will be studying the story 'Little Red Hen' as part of their Talk for Writing Unit.

Year 1 and 2 will be studying the myth 'How the tortoise got his shell' as part of their Talk for Writing Unit.

As part of our topic work, we will be looking at non-fiction texts based on mini beasts. Writing invitations and recipes for a Bug Ball.

You can help at home by:

- Ensuring that your child reads regularly. Please keep the red reading record up to date, with a comment that responds to the text
- Ensuring that your child has opportunities to read a variety of texts
- Discussing the book and looking at punctuation and choice of vocabulary

**Mathematics and Numeracy**

Reception and Nursery will be exploring number through their play activities by being encouraged to:

- Count objects one by one
- Count on their fingers- show me....
- Use dice / dominoes
- Familiarise with numicon plates
- Learn and recite number rhymes/ songs
- Begin to read and recognise numerals
- Name and recognise basic shapes
- Explore volume in sand / water play
- Use scales to explore weight

Reception will also:

- Read, write and order numbers
- Learn ordinal numbers
- Continue and create repeating patterns
- Recite days of the week
- Perform simple adding and subtraction
- Name and describe 2D and 3D shapes.

Year 1 Inspire Maths

- Subtraction within 10
- Shapes and Patterns
- Ordinal Numbers
- Numbers to 20 (addition and Subtraction)

Year 2 Inspire Maths

- Numbers within 40
- Mental Calculations
- Multiplication and division
- Time

We will be developing our numeracy skills by:

- Studying maps
- Carrying out a traffic survey
- Carrying out a mini beast survey
- Measuring and weighing

### Humanities

This term, we will be studying our local area as part of humanities. We will be:

- Going for a walk around the local villages.
- Visiting the church
- Learning about different religious festivals; Harvest,

### Science and Technology

This term, we will be:

- Identifying and labelling mini beasts
- Investigating different lifecycles of mini beasts
- Researching different mini beasts.
- Comparing habitats.
- Looking at food chains.
- Going on a bug hunt

### Expressive Arts

As part of expressive arts, we will be:

- Studying Matisse's snail
- Studying Escher's butterflies
- Creating mobile food chains.
- Creating natural and manmade transient art.

### Health and Well-being

- We are all stars
- Be friendly, be wise.
- We will be having weekly Circle Time sessions.

### Cymraeg

- Colours/ counting/ weather
- Respond to greetings
- Pwy wyt ti? Sut wyt ti?- describe feelings
- Days of the week, months of the year and seasons.
- Key topic vocabulary

### PE

- In PE, we will be practising the fundamental skills of movement (i.e. running, balance, jumping, throwing and catching).
- After half term, our PE will be gymnastics based.