

Understanding of the World

We will be finding out about different occupations through role play, books and people visiting!

We will be using our investigation skills to find the properties of different materials, especially things that can float to build a raft and things that are waterproof to keep us dry.

At the beginning of February we will be learning about the Chinese New Year festival and how people in different parts of the world celebrate. We will be also trying different foods from China.



Expressive Arts and Design

We will be concentrating on using different media and combining them to make new effects. We will be making emergency vehicles for people who help us and using musical instruments to compose music to make us think about sirens and emergencies!

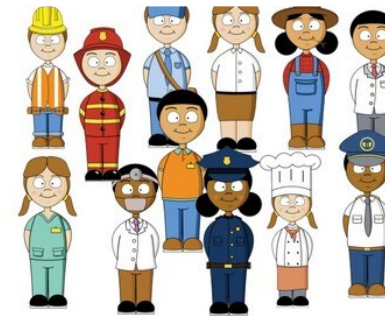
We will be learning how to give and receive constructive feedback about our art work in order to improve our techniques.



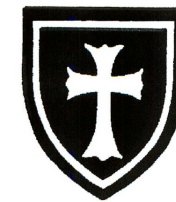
Thank you,

Mrs Wignall and Mrs Turner

People who help us!



Reception Spring Term



All Saints CE Primary School & Nursery

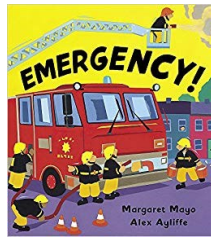
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Welcome to All Saints Reception Class. Our main theme this term will be "People who help us". Alongside this we will be noticing the changes around us as spring emerges. We will also be following the children's interests to inform our planning!

The children have already thought of lots of people who help us (e.g. police, vets, nurses, God, teachers and firefighters) and are keen to find out more about what they do! Last term the children loved playing in our inside role play 'Bakery' and outside 'Soup Kitchen.' We are looking forward to creating a Post Office, Vets and Police role play area next with the children! If you do a job that helps other people and would like to share what you do with the class **please speak to us to arrange a visit!**

Communication and Language

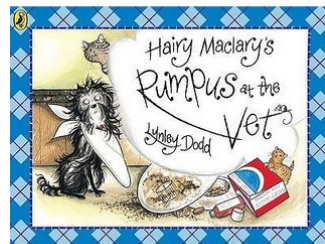
We are continuing to use 'Talk for writing' to inspire language development through story telling. Our first book linked to our theme is called Emergency! We are learning to explain what is happening, anticipate what might happen next and recall past experiences. New vocabulary will be explored and encouraged to use in context.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

To develop our characteristics of effective learning we have introduced our three dinosaur puppets who are brilliant role models: Tryasauras, Thinkosaurus and Explorasaurus. We will be discussing our school value of 'Resilience' and will be encouraging the children to be resilient with new challenges.

We will also use the book Hairy Maclary's Rumpus at the Vets to find out more about vets and how they help animals. We will be exploring the feelings of characters in different stories and how they resolve problems and interact with each other.



Physical Development

We plan regular opportunities to develop fine and gross motor skills. In our PE sessions the focus of our learning is to apply, 'champion gymnastics,' to explore movements and shapes in high, low, over and under ways on the apparatus.

Literacy

We will focus on recognising letters and sounds following the Letters and Sounds program and have begun to blend letters together to create simple 3 and 4 letter words.

In addition to our reading scheme books for your child to read at home your child will also be bringing home a class library book which they can choose themselves each week. This is to encourage a love of reading and for you to enjoy books together.

Every child will be heard at least once a week in school but regular short sessions with you at home will help the children become more fluent and confident.

If any parents would like to volunteer to listen to children read in school regularly please let us know!

Numeracy

We will be extending our mathematical knowledge by looking at numbers up to 10 and identifying numbers that are more and less than a given number. We will be combining groups to make a new total and finding ways to record our workings out. Using our theme, we will be comparing sizes, length, capacity and weight. We will also introduce 3D shape vocabulary.

