Cotwall End Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter Reception Autumn 2025

Miss Kaur

Mrs French

Miss Pole

Mrs Priest

Mrs Reynolds

Mrs Clayton

Miss Penn

Good Topic Work	Topic	This terms exciting topic is 'Magical Forest.' We will draw inspiration from a range of delightful books set in forest environments and explore the great outdoors. We will look at habitats, seasonal changes and meet a lot of fluffy friends along the way!
	Literacy	We will be embarking on an exciting phonics journey together! Each day, we will explore a new sound with the help of our delightful puppets: Sammy Snake, Inky Mouse, and Buzzy Bee. These charming characters will engage and inspire the children as we learn to blend sounds into words, enhancing both our reading and writing skills. We will also be listening to a wonderful selection of books, which will further motivate and ignite our passion for storytelling. I cannot wait to see the creativity that blossoms throughout this adventure!
	Maths	Our focus in Maths will be number recognition, counting accurately and having an understanding of number. We will also explore 2D shapes, pattern, matching, sorting and comparing. We will do lots of maths learning both inside and outside of the classroom.
	Communication and Language	We will be creating engaging speaking and listening opportunities. Through an array of captivating stories and enriching experiences, such as book character visits, children are encouraged to interact by posing questions and expressing their thoughts. We will be introducing new and stimulating vocabulary. Children will be encouraged to speak about their free choice work as well as in focus groups with adults.
6 19 4 19	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	This term, our primary goal is to ensure that the children are happy, settled, and becoming familiar with school routines. It has been wonderful to see them being encouraged to be independent, such as when they arrive in class and put their belongings away. We are excited to watch the children develop positive relationships with both the adults and their classmates in our setting.
	Physical Development	Mr Higginson will be leading our awesome PE lessons twice a week where the children will develop a range of skills. we will be accessing outdoor physical activities daily making learning fun and interactive. The activities and lessons available are designed to improve fine and gross motor skills which help in lots of other areas of learning such as writing. We will be working on dressing and undressing independently for PE lessons. P
14	Expressive Arts and Design	We are thrilled to share that Mrs Gullick, our fabulous music expert, will be teaching the children lots of delightful songs and giving them the chance to explore various instruments! The children have already shown us their enthusiasm for role play, and we all know how much they adore creating. If you happen to have any spare 'junk' lying around, such as boxes or kitchen roll tubes, we would be immensely grateful if you could bring them in. Your

Additional Information

The children will have their Sound Book, so please encourage them to identify and trace the sounds. It's essential that they bring this book to school

We hope to issue all children with Word Box Word lists and reading books by Christmas. So, please practice sounds taught daily. Also, we kindly ask that you do not send your child to school wearing jewellery, as we partake in lots of fun activities during choice time. Lastly, please label all items of clothing to help us return any that may get mixed up. PE in Reception can be on any given day as we have daily access to the outdoor area and the school halls. Thank you for your support!