## Cotwall End Primary School



## Curriculum Newsletter Reception Spring 2025

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## This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term;

Good Topic Work	Topic	This half term we start a new topic called <b>Let's Explore!</b> It will be a half term full of colour and celebrations.
	Literacy	In literacy we will be concentrating on improving our sentence writing skills by sounding out words carefully and using lots of key words in our writing. We will look at a range of story books and use these to write for a range of purposes such as cards, descriptive sentences, labels and captions. We will continue to work on our reading skills and showing our understanding of what we have read.
	Maths	The focus this term will be on deepening our understanding of number. We will use this knowledge to solve questions and simple problems. We will continue to learn our number bonds and will also work on improving our maths vocabulary when exploring shape. We will be using terms such as heavier, lighter, longer, and shorter. The children will also continue to work on number formation.
	Communication and Language	We will continue to develop our communication and language skills through a range of circle time activities, games and group work. We will role play and act out stories that we have read, using vocabulary from the stories. We will focus on asking and answering questions as well as turn taking in conversation and listening attentively when others are talking.
	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	This term we will be looking at ways of keeping healthy, learning about and tasting a variety of healthy foods, making fruit kebabs, exercising and how it affects our bodies as well as teeth brushing and hand washing. We will continue to work on teaching children to be well-mannered, kind and helpful as well as how to deal with tricky situations such as sharing and conflicts. This term our values are Kindness and
	Physical Development	During our PE sessions will be focusing on gymnastics and dance. We will be covering skills such as rolling, balancing and using a range of equipment. We will look at different ways of travelling and moving. The children will also have the opportunity to continue to develop both fine and gross motor skills in activities such as drawing, cutting, writing, threading, colouring, painting and peg activities.
	Understanding of the World	The children will get the opportunity to explore a range of different cultures when looking at celebrations around the world. For example Chinese New Year and Easter. We will learn about animals and their habitats and ways to care for animals and their environment. Children will look at, talk about and compare seasons and will also get the opportunity to use computer software such as Revelation Art.
	Expressive Arts and Design	This term children will continue to develop their imagination and creative skills, focusing on modelling, cutting, collaging and painting. We will look at primary colours and secondary colours and explore colours in the environment, as well as looking at different colours during each season. Weekly music sessions will continue to focus on rhyme, rhythm and how different sounds can be made.
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## Important dates

Tuesday 11th February – Parents' Evening
Thursday 13th February – Parents' Evening
Monday 17th to Friday 21st February – Half Term
Friday 11th April– last day of term 1.30pm finish
Monday 14rd April to Friday 25th April – Easter Holiday