

# Wright Class

## Topic Map Autumn 1

Welcome to Holy Cross. We send out a topic map to share with you what we will be learning in school. If you have any questions or experience that may benefit us, please come and share with us. Often your child will be tired after a long day at school and may not remember all they have done in school but here are the areas we are learning about so that you can generate conversation around the dinner table about their learning.

### Maths

We will start our Mastery of Number program this term, this will run throughout the year and continue into KS1. It aims to give children an understanding of what number is and represents, We will use Numberblocks, Numicon, cubes, beadstrings, Rekenreks among other resources to make this knowledge come to life. This is aimed at Reception children but often PreSchool like to share this with their friends.

### English

We will explore different texts, developing our story vocabulary as we retell stories orally. We will use puppets and small world characters to retell familiar stories. We will practise nursery rhymes and number rhymes. We will be listening for rhyme in the books we read and developing a love for story and story telling.

### Reading

We will read lots of stories in EYFS. We will be reading books about the sea for Deep Sea Dawn (Wright). We will begin phonics learning with our Reception children in the first week. Using our phonics program Sounds Write. We start with the spoken sounds and build words using what the children know. Your child will bring home sound cards to build words at home and will soon have their very own reading book.

### All About Me

This term our PCK (Primary Knowledge Curriculum) learning focuses on ourselves. We will explore different families, our amazing bodies, where we live and people who can help us. We always start our year with this unit but will be adding different experiences for those who have been with us before.

### RE

Our unit this half term is entitled 'What makes me special?' We will continue to learn and share information about ourselves, including our likes, dislikes, friends, family and the routines and traditions our family follow. We will begin to explore the knowledge that not everyone shares our views and that there are many different worldviews.

### PE

Wright Class will have PE on a Monday afternoon and Friday morning. They need to come to school in their PE kits on these day. If it is chilly please send your child with shorts and T-shirt underneath their joggers and jumpers.

# Respect, Aspire, Challenge, Succeed

## Communication and Language

We promote a language rich environment at Holy Cross. Children are exposed to peers of all ages and have time to socialise with them at break and lunch.

We will model discussion and new vocabulary in our role play and small world areas. We will learn about different ways of communicating in our All About Me topic.

## Understanding the World

We hope to find some Autumn leaves by the end of the term so that we can make natural, seasonal artwork.

We will explore some of the religious traditions that fall in this part of the year—Harvest, Rosh Hashanah and Diwali.

We will look at simple maps of our local area, recognising familiar landscapes.

## Personal, Social and emotional Development

Our PSHE topic this term is Me and My World, this links perfectly with our PKC unit. The children will learn about people around us that are there to support us, keep us safe and those that care for the places we visit. The EYFS will learn to communicate well with adults and peers alike as they settle into their new surroundings.

## Computing

This term we will begin to learn to log onto our laptops. We will learn to log onto our Purple Mash account and use simple tools to draw, and select objects.

## Expressive Arts and Design

There is a creative station in our continuous provision for children to make and design their own masterpieces. We will complete self-portraits and make junk modelling buildings in our All About Me topic. We hope to create Diwali lamps when we learn about Diwali.

## Physical Development

We will have access to the outdoor area, using bikes, scooters and climbing.

We will have opportunities to develop our fine motor skills using tweezers, foam, play dough, paint brushes, etc.

## Home Learning Expectations

There is no expectation for home learning tasks to be completed in EYFS but we have set some challenges if your child would like to give them a go. It is a school expectation that all children will read three times weekly. If you have any questions please ask—[mrswaterson@holycross.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:mrswaterson@holycross.norfolk.sch.uk) or catch me at the gate.