Canon Johnson C of E Primary School

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Welcome to our Early Years Newsletter

English

Our story this half term is: Peace at last. Within this unit we will be looking at key vocabulary; mark making; role play; bears and nocturnal animals. We will also start to introduce sounds and CVC words to help the children to blend and read.
In both reception and nursery, using our phonics programme, Read Write Inc, we will start to 'tune in' to sounds by learning how to recognise initial sounds in words. We will start looking at recognising sounds and continue to practice handwriting shapes and recognise our own name.

Maths

In Reception we will be learning how to match, sort and compare. We will also be learning about measuring and finding and creating patterns.

In nursery will we be learning about different colours, how to match objects and looking at how we sort by colour, size and shape.

Personal, social and emotional development

In PSED this term our topic is 'Being me in my world'. We will be looking at our feelings, being at school and our responsibilities as individuals and as a class.

RE

In RE will be looking at 'Being special; where do we belong?' Within this unit, we will be reflecting upon things that are special to us and why we value these things. We will also be learning about key religious symbols for Christians, Muslims and Hindus.

Understanding the World

Within this topic we will be looking at special events that take place, different people in our families and the different generations. We will also be learning and gaining locational and place knowledge. This will entail looking around the different areas of our school and find out about other members of staff and what their role is within our school. We will also be learning about our senses and healthy eating.

PE will be on a Tuesday **(Reception children only)** Please ensure the children come to school in their PE kits.