



# Our Wonderful World



This curriculum map provides an overview of what your child will be learning across the curriculum this half term. Learning will be linked to our focus topic.

**Communication and Language:** This half-term we will be immersing the children in a lot of new topic-based vocabulary for them to apply as we learn about different countries and their habitats, traditions and cultures. We will be encouraging the children to come up with their own questions about our big, wide world and we will be supporting them to explore the answers to them through a range of non-fiction texts. Our show and tell focus will be to talk about a trip out (either a day out or a holiday).

**Key Skill - To participate in small group and class discussions using any new taught vocabulary.**

**Physical Development:** This half term, we will be completing a Dance unit in PE. In this unit the children will develop their expressive movement through the topic of 'everyday life'. Children explore space and how to use space safely. They explore travelling movements, shapes and balances. Children choose their own actions in response to a stimulus. They are given the opportunity to copy, repeat and remember actions. They are introduced to counting to help them keep in time with the music. They perform to others and begin to provide simple feedback.

**Key Skill - To perform to an audience.**

**Personal, Social and Emotional skills:** This is central to our curriculum in Reception. We will continue with our PATHS programme of learning where we will learn about the feelings of calm and relaxed. We will be looking at stories about sharing, caring and friendship. We will learn how to give more advanced compliments about others. We will continue to learn about self-control and how to be resilient in the face of a challenge.

**Key Skill - To be able to control feelings and be resilient.**

**Literacy:** We will continue to read and share a range of high-quality texts with the children. In phonics, we will also be continuing to learn new digraphs and consolidating our existing knowledge of our letter-sounds by applying them through our reading and writing. We will gain more confidence and fluency in recognising our tricky words by sight. During Writing Club, we be learning how to write sentences. Some of us will use finger spaces, capital letters and full stops.

**Key Skill - To write a sentence.**

**Maths:** This half-term we will begin by learning all about the numbers 9 and 10 and exploring different ways to represent and compare these numbers. We will enhance our learning of the numbers to 10 by engaging in number songs and practice counting forwards and backwards. We will also learn about different 3D shapes and explore their properties. We will finish our maths unit this half-term by consolidating our understanding of patterns.

**Key Skill - To know some number bonds to 10.**

**Understanding of the World:** This topic focusses on improving our knowledge of our world, including culture, food, animals, habitats and the daily life of children around the world. We will be having an around the world WOW day and allowing children the opportunity to experience food, art and religious festivals from a range of different countries. In RE, we will be learning all about Easter.

**Key Skill - Understand similarities and differences between life in this country and other countries around the world.**

**Expressive Arts and Design:** We will be continuing our daily phonic crafts, mastering skills such as cutting and joining. We will be exploring artwork from different cultures, including aboriginal art and henna hand art.

Our role play areas will be an airport/aeroplane and a jungle. Children will play with small world figures and puppets from around the world.

**Key Skill - To share creations and discuss the process.**