



**Our Lady's Catholic Primary School**  
**Curriculum Overview Foundation Stage**



**2023-2024**

	<b>Autumn 1</b>	<b>Autumn 2</b>	<b>Spring 1</b>	<b>Spring 2</b>	<b>Summer 1</b>	<b>Summer 2</b>
<b>Topics</b>	All About Me	Terrific Tales	Amazing Animals	Come Outside	Ticket to Ride	Fun at the Seaside
<p><b>Characteristics of Effective Learning</b></p> <p><b>Playing and exploring:</b> Children investigate and experience things and 'have a go'. Children who actively participate in their own play develop a larger store of information and experiences to draw on which positively supports their learning.</p> <p><b>Active learning:</b> Children concentrate and keep on trying if they encounter difficulties. They are proud of their own achievements. For children to develop into self-regulating, lifelong learners they are required to take ownership, accept challenges and learn persistence.</p> <p><b>Creating and critical thinking:</b> Children develop their own ideas and make links between these ideas. They think flexibly and rationally, drawing on previous experiences which help them to solve problems and reach conclusions.</p>						
<p><b>General Themes</b></p> <p><i>These themes may be adapted at times to allow for children's interests to flow through the provision.</i></p>	<p><b>All About Me</b></p> <p>In this topic we will look closely at what makes us different and celebrate those differences. We will look at the human body and see how we have changed since we were babies, thinking about how we can keep ourselves healthy and safe. We will look and talk about our families and those people who help us. We will think about how we make others feel and how we can be kind.</p>	<p><b>Terrific Tales</b></p> <p>This topic will look at traditional tales and fairy tales. One of our traditional tales will include 'The Little Red Hen' linking to harvest and autumn. We will think about our own favourite stories, sharing them with others. We explore our local library and the books and stories available there. We will listen to the Nativity story and perform this for others.</p>	<p><b>Amazing Animals</b></p> <p>During this term, we will be sorting animals into different groups according to different criteria and exploring their habitats. We will look at animals around the world, in particular looking at animals who live in the polar regions. We will explore the life cycles of some animals and visit the safari park to support our learning.</p>	<p><b>Come Outside</b></p> <p>This term will include lots of time outdoors, exploring our environment. We will be looking at the weather and the seasons. We will be exploring growing; planting our own seeds and vegetables and thinking about what they will need. We will think about materials and investigate their uses alongside developing our knowledge of reduce, reuse and recycle.</p>	<p><b>Ticket to Ride</b></p> <p>Throughout this topic we will be finding out about where we live in the UK and the world. We will be looking at Prescott and how we travel around the town. We will look at the different types of transport and comparing them to vehicles in the past. We will think about space and how people travel there, finding out about different planets and comparing them to our planet.</p>	<p><b>Fun at the Seaside</b></p> <p>Our final topic will find us exploring under the sea! We will look at marine life and how it can be protected. We will be finding out about seashores in the past and comparing them to now. We will discover fossils and go fossil hunting! We will think about where in the world we would like to go, using globes and atlases and look at what we would need to take with us.</p>

