## **Expressive Art & Design:**

The children will explore their creativity through a variety of artistic and imaginative activities. They will experiment with different materials and techniques, including painting, drawing, collage, and sculpture, to express their ideas and emotions. Children will also engage in role play and storytelling, using props and costumes to act out scenarios and develop their imagination. Additionally, they will explore music and movement, experimenting with rhythm, instruments, and songs to express themselves through sound and dance.

#### RE:

As part of our Jigsaw RE Scheme, we will be exploring the following theme through the enquiry question:

Enquiry Question: Celebration in different cultures and worldviews

Theme: How do people celebrate?



## The Three Saints Academy Trust: LUNAR Curriculum

The Lunar Curriculum is a pedagogical approach to teaching all subjects that builds upon pupils' interests to inspire learning and make sure it is memorable over time. This curriculum is underpinned by a set of non-negotiables and teaches both key knowledge and skills progressively.

Its focus is on pupils knowing and remembering more, building on prior learning so that they leave school ready for their journey in education and beyond into their working life. Learning is active and authentic ensuring investment, not just engagement.



**Parents** Spring Term 2025



Our vision is to provide high quality, creative and challenging education within a safe, caring and happy school community, where children develop a lifelong love of learning; a school where the key to our mission statement is simply:

"Learning and Achieving Together"

Mrs S Rattigan (Chestnut Class Teacher) Mrs L Murphy (Pine Class Teacher) Miss J Taylor (Beech Class Teacher) Mrs D Parker (Class Teacher/SENDCo)

### **Communication and Language:**

We will focus on enhancing children's Communication and Language skills by encouraging them to listen attentively, follow simple and more complex instructions, and respond appropriately in various contexts. They will also be supported in expanding their vocabulary and understanding, as well as expressing themselves clearly through speaking. Activities like Storytime, group discussions, role play, and conversations with peers will help develop their listening, comprehension, and speaking abilities, fostering confidence in using language for communication and social interaction.

# **Physical Development:**

Reception will focus on developing their physical skills through activities that promote balance, coordination, and fine motor control. They will engage in both indoor and outdoor physical play, such as running, jumping, climbing, and balancing, to strengthen their gross motor skills. In addition, fine motor activities like drawing, cutting, threading, and using tools will support their hand-eye coordination and ability to manipulate objects with increasing control.

## Personal Social and Emotional Development

Children will be learning to manage their feelings and build positive relationships with others. They will explore strategies for sharing, taking turns, and resolving conflicts, while also becoming more confident in expressing their emotions appropriately. Through group activities and discussions, children will develop their sense of responsibility and learn about respecting others' differences. Our focus will be on building their self-esteem and promoting their independence in managing personal routines and tasks.

## Literacy:

In the Spring Term, Reception children will build on their phonics knowledge, focusing on blending sounds to read simple words and sentences, as well as segmenting sounds for writing. They will continue to explore a variety of stories and texts, developing comprehension skills by answering questions and discussing characters, settings, and events. Children will also work on forming letters correctly and writing simple sentences, with an emphasis on spelling familiar words and using their growing phonics knowledge to write independently.

#### Mathematics:

Children will further develop their mathematical understanding by exploring numbers up to 20, focusing on counting, recognizing number patterns, and understanding addition and subtraction through practical activities. They will learn to compare numbers, explore simple problem-solving, and begin to understand concepts like more, less, and equality. Children will also explore shapes, patterns, and measurements, using everyday objects to understand concepts like size, weight, and length.

### **Understanding the World:**



Children will explore the world around them by learning about different seasons, weather patterns, and changes in nature. They will investigate living things, including plants and animals, and explore how they grow and change. Children will also develop an understanding of technology by using simple tools and devices to enhance their learning. Through hands-on activities, they will be encouraged to observe, ask questions, and make connections between the natural and man-made world, building curiosity and critical thinking skills about their environment.