#### **Expressive Art & Design:**

During the Spring term, children will develop their expressive arts and design skills through creative activities like art, music, and imaginative play. They will explore different materials, experiment with colours and shapes, and express themselves through music, movement, and storytelling. These experiences will foster their creativity, imagination, and confidence in expressing ideas and emotions.

#### RE:

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

Enquiry Question: How do I and other people celebrate?

Theme: Celebrations and me



# 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.



# Kindergarten Curriculum Information for 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 L Tinsley (Nursery Lead)
Mrs M Graley (Learning Support Assistant)
Mrs E Burke (Welfare Assistant)
Mrs L Linford (Learning Support Assistant)
Miss L Kelly (Apprentice)

#### **Communication and Language:**

During the Spring term, children will strengthen their communication and language skills through stories, songs, and daily conversations. They will expand their vocabulary, practice listening skills, and follow simple instructions. Children will be encouraged to express themselves clearly and engage in imaginative play, enhancing both verbal and non-verbal communication. Through interactive reading and rhyming games, they will build confidence and develop a greater understanding of language, setting the foundation for effective communication.

#### **Physical Development:**

The children will focus on developing both their fine and gross motor skills through a variety of fun and engaging activities. They will practice using their hands and fingers for tasks like drawing, cutting, and building with small objects to enhance hand-eye coordination and dexterity. Outdoors, children will engage in physical activities such as running, jumping, and climbing, which will help improve balance, coordination, and overall physical strength

## Personal Social and Emotional Development

The children will work on building their self-confidence and independence by making choices and expressing their needs in a variety of situations. Through group play, they will practice sharing, taking turns, and cooperating with others, fostering positive relationships with their peers. Children will also begin to explore their emotions, learning to recognise and label feelings, as well as develop strategies for managing them.

#### Literacy:

Our children will build a strong foundation for literacy through a variety of engaging activities. They will develop their listening and speaking skills by participating in story time, singing rhymes, and joining in with simple conversations. The children will begin to recognize letters, sounds, and key phonetic patterns, helping them to build early reading and writing skills. Fine motor activities, such as drawing and mark-making, will support their early writing development.

#### **Mathematics:**

As young mathematicians, the children will develop essential mathematical skills through a variety of hands-on, play-based activities. They will begin to explore numbers, counting, and simple mathematical concepts such as more, less, and one-to-one correspondence. Children will also engage in shape recognition, learning to identify and describe basic 2D shapes. Through games, songs, and everyday activities, they will practice sorting, matching, and categorising objects based on size, colour, and quantity.

## **Understanding the World:**

As young explorers, the children will learn about the natural world by observing changes in the weather and the environment as spring unfolds, and by exploring the life cycles of plants and animals.

Children will have opportunities to investigate everyday materials, exploring their properties and uses. Through interactive activities and discussions, they will also begin to learn about different cultures, traditions, and celebrations.