Reception Curriculum Map (Autumn Term 2026)

Catholic Life and Prayer Focus

Virtues – Autumn 1 Compassionate and Loving
Autumn 2 Faith-filled and Hopeful
Learning the sign of the cross and the Hail Mary
October - the Month of the Rosary
Preparing for Christmas during the Season of Advent

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- Creation and Covenant: God made the world. I am made by God and I am special. Stewardship: Looking after God's creation. I am part of God's family through Baptism.
- Prophecy and Promise: Mary is chosen by God. Advent preparations. The Nativity.

Writing

Pre-Writing Skills

- Developing hand and finger strength using different materials.
- Developing pencil control and using a tripod grip to hold a pencil.
- Ascribing meaning to marks
- Tracing and copying my name and other letters.

Maths

- Match, sort and compare.
- Talk about measure and pattern.
- It's me 1,2,3.
- Circles and triangles.
- 1,2,3,4,5
- Shapes with 4 sides.

Understanding the World

- Colour
- All About Me
- Celebrations
- Seasons
- Peak into the past

Phonics

- Identifying the initial sounds in words.
- Orally sounding out and blending.
- We will be learning four new letter sounds each week. Your child will have a small number of simple words to learn to read with these. A new sheet will be sent each week.

Physical Development

- Simple listening games and following instructions.
- Games and activities to support gross motor strength and development.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Colour mixing
- Marvelous marks
- Seasonal crafts
- Junk modelling

In class we are reading…

All About Me

Stories including…

The Colour Monster goes to school, Have you filled a bucket today? How to hide a Lion, The Koala who could.

Celebrations and Seasons

Stories including…

Pattan's Pumpkin, Owl Babies, Tree and Stickman.

You can support your child at home by…

- Please read with your child daily.
- Encourage them to hold a pencil. correctly and make meaningful marks.
- Support your child completely home learning activities.

Special dates for your diary

School Masses at the Sacred Heart at 9am on Sunday 4th October 2026 and 9am Sunday 22nd November

Reception St Gabriel's stay and pray 9.15 on Tuesday 24th November