



## Class 1 Curriculum Overview - Autumn 2021



A huge welcome to all parents and carers!

I hope that you had a great summer and managed to make some special memories. During the autumn term, the children will be slowly introduced to school routines and begin their learning journey at Our Lady Star of the Sea. We will be sending some tasks home to consolidate to children's learning and really hope that you support them as much as possible. I am sure the children will have lots of fun and I cannot wait to get to know each and every child. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask!

Kind regards,

Miss Reineck

### Maths

- Matching and sorting objects.
- Representing and comparing numbers 1, 2 and 3.
- Investigating the composition on numbers 1, 2 and 3.
- Representing numbers to 5.
- Finding one more and one less than numbers within 5.
- Compare size, mass and capacity.
- Circles and triangles.
- Spatial awareness.
- Shapes with 4 sides.
- Night and Day - exploring routines.



### Reading and Writing

- Name recognition and writing.
- Engaging in extended conversations about stories, learning and exploring lots of new vocabulary.
- Begin to read individual letters by saying the correct sounds for them. We will begin with Phase 2 phonics. Sounds and flashcards will be sent home to consolidate learning.
- Begin to blend sounds into words so that they can read short words.
- Form some lower-case and capital letters correctly.
- List writing using the sounds we have covered during the term.
- Read and share stories.



## Our Key Themes

Our overall theme this term is Autumn. It is a beautiful time of year and there are so many exciting learning opportunities for the children to engage in. Below is an overview of what we will be learning about each week:

**Week 1-2 - Ourselves.** We will be getting to know each other and finding out about ourselves. We will create self-portraits, talk about our families, discuss likes and dislikes, think about where we will live, take a walk around Horden to explore the local area.

**Week 3 - Seeds:** What are seeds and what do they need to grow? We will plant our own seeds and explore how they grow in different conditions.

**Week 4 - Autumn animals:** We will share stories about autumn animals, their habitats and learn all about hibernation.

**Week 5 - Leaves:** We will share the stories 'Leaf Man' and 'We're Going on a Leaf Hunt' and observe the changes of the leaves around us. We will make our own leaf man and be creative making art with leaves.

**Week 6 - Harvest Festival:** We will talk about what harvest season is and make our own harvest vegetable soup!

**Week 7 - The Moon/Space:** We will create our own rockets and artwork of the moon. We will share stories and engage in role play. We will learn about how astronauts travel to space and what they might need to take!

**Week 8 - Spiders and Potions:** Spooky week will be filled with slime, potions and magic spells!

**Week 9 - Fire and Light:** We will talk about how to stay safe during bonfire night. We will share the story of Guy Fawkes and dive into the history on bonfire night.

**Week 10 - Remembrance Week:** A special week in our school to remember all of the fallen soldiers.

**Week 11 - Birds:** We will make a bird hide in our outdoor area and take part in some birdwatching. We will make feeders for the birds to make sure they aren't short of food during the cold, winter months!

**Week 12 - Weather:** We will explore seasonal changes and make our own windmills to investigate the strength of wind.

**Week 13 - 15 - Advent and Christmas:** A favourite time of year. We will be putting up our Christmas tree, writing Santa lists and learning about the importance of Advent and the Nativity Story! Be prepared for the lovely singing you will hear during this time of the year!

