

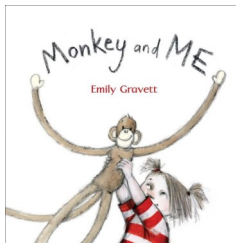
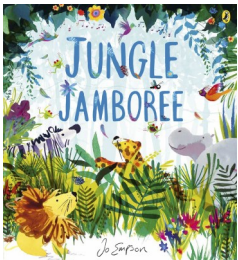
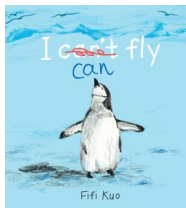
Our Learning

This half term we learn all about different Arctic Animals.



We explore the celebrations of Chinese New year and Valentines day.

Books we will share this half term...



Communication & Language

We listen to and remember what happens in longer stories and follow instructions with several key words.

We develop our speaking and listening skills by using longer sentences, clear pronunciation and joining ideas with words such as *and* and *because*.

We practise retelling past events in the correct order, starting and continuing conversations with adults and friends, and using talk to organise our play and activities.



Literacy

We share lots of stories and use our knowledge to talk about our favourite parts and characters.

We use what we have learned to help us retell the stories and practise writing our initial letters through related activities and play.

We continue to enjoy lots of nursery rhymes and develop our sound knowledge—listening for words that have the same sound at the beginning such as bus and ball, and learning to identify words that rhyme like cat and mat.



Physical Development

We develop our writing skills by practising pre-writing shapes using a range of materials and becoming more confident using one handed tools such as tweezers and scissors..

Our weekly PE sessions help us to develop our awareness of space, move safely around others, change direction to avoid obstacles, and practise throwing, catching, and rolling balls with control.

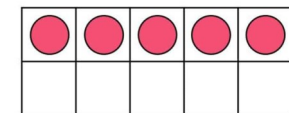
Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We learn how to listen carefully, show kindness and work together to solve problems. We explore how everyone is special and unique, celebrate similarities and differences and learn how to use our voices kindly to share ideas and feelings. We practise recognising emotions and learn ways to calm ourselves.



Mathematics

We subitise and count numbers up to 5, recognise and write numerals and explore how numbers are made by combining and splitting amounts. We link numbers to shapes by counting sides and use mathematical language such as total, more, less, sides, full and empty.



Understanding the World

In the Spring Term we learn about different materials and their properties and find out how things work. We explore water in the environment, including puddles, frost, snow and ice and notice changes in the weather from Winter into Spring. We learn about different countries in the world and practise naming the days of the week and seasons, using time words such as before and after to talk about events.

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Galilee to Jerusalem—We hear the stories of Jesus' love and care, such as welcoming and blessing the children and feeding the 5,000. We learn that Jesus is God's Son, sent to show God's love, and that He is a gift for everyone. We learn the "Glory Be" prayer

Catholic Social Teaching—We explore how Jesus calls us to love, welcome, and care for others. (Responsibilities to others)

Expressive Arts and Design

We develop confidence in drawing, painting and making by using a range of materials and tools. We explore different creative techniques including printing, collage, painting and model making, adding detail to their work and sharing ideas.

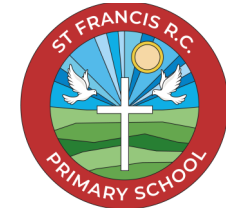
Through role play, music and dance, we use imagination, sing familiar songs and nursery rhymes and explore sounds and music from different cultures

How You Can Help

- Bring your child to school everyday on time.
- Keep up to date with your child's learning by looking at your Seesaw account.
- Encourage your child to practise putting on and taking off their coat.
- Help your child to use the toilet independently at home and wash their hands thoroughly afterwards.
- Limit the amount of time your child spends on screens, including tablets and watching television. Spend time outdoors whatever the weather!
- Follow the school on X @stfranciscorton
- Share lots of stories and rhymes with your child at home, encourage them to talk about things that they can see whilst out on walks and out and about.



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What we are learning in Nursery



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