

Long Knowle Primary School EYFS Spring Term 2025 Curriculum



Overview

Welcome back.

We hope you all had a peaceful and wonderful Winter break with your families and friends. We look forward to the Spring term and all of the fantastic and exciting learning opportunities we have planned for your child. Don't forget we operate an open door policy and all EYFS staff are available for questions/advice when we open the door in the morning and after dismissal.

Literacy and home reading

Reading books are changed on a Thursday, please try to read with your child at home regularly!
Our focus books this term are:
Tiddler, Polar Bear Polar Bear What Do You Hear?, The Lunar New Year story, Robin's Winter Song, The Squirrels That Squabbled.

In Phonics, we are learning our Level 3 sounds which introduce vowel digraphs and trigraphs. Children will be developing their independent reading skills and reading with increasing fluency as their phonic knowledge develops.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)

We will be covering Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me this term. We are learning about making good choices for our health and wellbeing and learning how to co-regulate and regulate our emotions. We want the children to continue developing their independence this term as well as encouraging skills including perseverance and resilience, especially in their own play.

Physical Development

We will support your child's gros motor skills through continued use of the outdoor area with our new equipment and we will begin regular Kinetic Letters handwriting sessions to develop their fine motor skills. In PE, Mr Clark will be teaching Dance in Spring 1 and Activity Games in Spring 2. Children will be learning to keep a beat, follow a simple routine, link movements to music and evaluate their work in Dance and ball skills in Activity Games.

<u>Mathematics</u>

We follow the Power Maths scheme – this term we will cover: numbers to 10, addition and subtraction to 10, measuring and comparing, length, height and weight and patterns. We also use Maths Mastery. This will develop vital language skills children need to become competent and fluent mathematicians.

Communication and Language

Our ever-changing role play

(and Miss Lawless's creativity!)
develops language and social
skills in our classroom. The role
play area changes depending on
children's interests – it is
currently a school.
We will be continuing to
introduce new and challenging
vocabulary for the children to
learn (ask them about trigraphs
and digraphs!) and providing
learning through experiences

Understanding the world

We will explore the natural world through our mini topics of water and ice, looking at and comparing different animal habitats. We also cover the Lunar New Year this term and children will learn the story of the animals that took part in the race that decided the lunar calendar. In Spring 2, we continue our work on celebrations, covering pancake day, Mother's Day and Easter.

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Expressive Arts and Design

This term allows the children to explore different media – from watercolour paint to collage to printing. We will teach the skills and encourage children to have a go independently. When the weather is colder, we will use a cold colour palette to mix shades of blue and will take our learning outside to paint ice and (hopefully!) spray the snow different colours. In Music, children will continue to be exposed to a range of musical genres and learn simple skill such as keeping a beat, pitch and volume. We will continue singing and making up rhymes in our daily routine.

such as melting ice and chocolate, colour mixing and looking at change.

RE

Our RE learning focuses on Special Places this term. We will look at places that are special to us before moving on to special places of worship for different religions. We think about what makes a place special and share times and places that make us happy.

We look at how people celebrate and will make some tasty food to try too!

Important dates

We visit the library every
Monday – please make sure
your child's book is in school!
INSET Day Monday 20th
January
Mother's Day Come and Play
session – Spring 2 (date TBC)

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