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## Summer 1 2025

## Where I am

**BIG Question** 

## Can we make the world a better place?

Welcome back reception class! We hope you had an enjoyable half term break and look forward to the half term ahead.

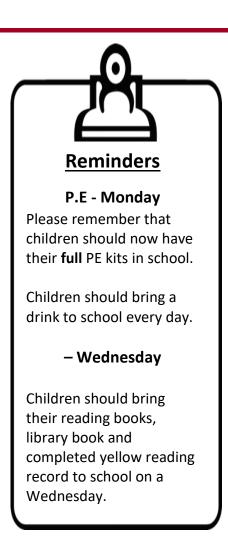
Our Talk for Writing text is All Are Welcome. The children will learn about their place in the world and what else the world has to offer. The children will explore their local environment and make comparisons between our local environment and other environments across the world. We will explore the difficulties that our world is facing and through Laudato Si work the children will become save our planet superheroes as they consider their carbon footprint and what changes they can make to make the world a better place.



Stories/ Songs and Rhymes	Communication & Language
Talk for Writing: All are WelcomeTraditional Tales:The Elves and the ShoemakerLinked Texts:Pattan's PumpkinAround the World we GoAstro GirlNursery Rhymes:Mary MaryLittle Bo PeepCircle Songs & Action RhymesThe Hokey CokeyThe Wheels on the BusA Sailor went to Sea	<ul> <li>Discussions about our local area</li> <li>Our likes and dislikes about where we live</li> <li>Discussions about life in other countries - how it is different</li> <li>expressing selves clearly</li> <li>responding to others effectively</li> <li>creating own storylines/ narrative through play connecting ideas to extend on play ideas.</li> <li>confidence to broadcast ideas to an unfamiliar group</li> </ul>
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Physical Development
<ul> <li>The impact that we have on the world. Our actions have consequences</li> <li>How can we share the message of Laudato Si' with others.</li> <li>Responsibility for our actions (environment/friendships/ inclusion)</li> <li>Understanding other cultures. Trying new activities/food.</li> <li>Accepting of traditions in other countries and seeing their own as valuable</li> <li>Strengthening interactions/ responding to others wishes – developing purposeful play</li> <li>Asking questions to further their development</li> <li>Collaborative learning</li> <li>Discussing their own ideas/ learning</li> <li>Considerate of the needs of others/ active citizens of Sacred Heart – politeness/ courtesy</li> <li>Our actions reflecting that we are children of God/Image of God</li> <li>Gospel values – humility, Integrity, Peace</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PE games, - working in collaboration with others</li> <li>Securing handwriting</li> <li>Use of a variety of tools (fine motor skills)</li> <li>Self care - independence</li> <li>Managing risk in using equipment</li> <li>Developing as healthy active citizens</li> <li>continued use of finger gym activities to strength pencil grip and control</li> </ul>

Literacy	Mathematics
-Letter formation -Securing Set 1 sounds and Introducing set 2 sounds -Simple sentence writing -Letter writing -Description writing -Save the world posters - Continued Drawing Club weekly	<ul> <li>Cardinality, ordinality and counting</li> <li>Subitising</li> <li>Composition</li> <li>Comparison</li> </ul>
Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Design
<ul> <li>-Exploring our local environment.</li> <li>Materials and their properties</li> <li>Taking care of our world (Reuse/Reduce/Recycle)</li> <li>Changes occurring in the world pollution etc</li> <li>Traditions around the world</li> <li>Life in other countries</li> <li>Comparing life in our country to others</li> <li>-Looking at simple maps, understanding key symbols</li> <li>-How has our local environment changed over time?</li> <li>-How is the earth changing?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Creating our own traditional buildings (reduce reuse recycle)</li> <li>Music and nursery rhymes from the country in which they originated</li> <li>Creating simple maps</li> <li>Making music/ dance</li> <li>Diwali art</li> <li>Making Chinese dragons/lanterns</li> <li>Continued imaginative play/ collaborative learning</li> <li>Traditional tales and their origin</li> </ul>
Vocabulary	Catholic Life
All are Welcome discovery, diversity, community The Elves and the Shoe Maker leather, sewing, workbench Pattan's Pumpkin ailing, sapling, hollow Around the World we Go world, pyramid, language Astro Girl gazed, gravity, whispered	Gospel Values         Humility, Integrity, Peace         Catholic Social Teaching         Sustainability         Duty         Care         Change         Stewardship         Common good         Religious Education:         Pentecost-Serving         Children will learn that everyone has Good News to share.         They will Explore Pentecost: the celebration of the Good         News of Jesus.

Be Safe Be Respectful Be Ready



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