

Enrichment lessons

An exciting addition to the St Edward's curriculum this year are 'Enrichment Lessons'. These sessions are aimed to enrich our pupils' educational experience, by enabling them to learn life skills. Enrichment lessons will promote our school values and Pupil Profile characteristics. It will also provide an opportunity for the children to connect with their House groups and experience lessons with other teachers.

What is on offer:

PrePrep (Reception and Year 1)	Prep (Year 2 – 6)
ST GEORGE'S Mrs Turner: Cross-stitch	ST ANDREW'S Mrs James: Basic First Aid
ST PATRICK'S Miss Cromore: Robotics	ST PATRICK'S Mr Hounsome: Oracy
ST ANDREW'S Mrs James: Basic First Aid: Taking Care & Helping	ST DAVID'S Mrs Wilson: Sewing
ST DAVID'S Mrs Williams: Environmental Studies	ST GEORGE'S Miss Elwood: British Sign Language (BSL)

When: Enrichment lessons for Year 2 - 6 will be the last two lessons on Monday afternoon.
 Enrichment lessons for Reception and Year 1 will be the last two lessons on Friday afternoon.

How: Pupils will split into their four House groups. Each House will take part in Enrichment sessions for one half term. Teachers will repeat their session four times until the end of the Spring Term.

PRE-PREP Enrichment sessions:

Robotics (Miss Cromore)

Using simple robots, children will begin to apply basic knowledge of programming to an interactive activity. Children will use their coding skills to direct robots around a map, or to complete tasks. Children may choose to stay with one robot throughout their time, developing a more advanced set of skills, or to engage with a variety of different robots, developing a range of skills.

Benefits and learning for life.

Robotics increases creativity, as children can use their skills to affect the behaviour of robots and machines. Once they know the basics, how they apply these skills is up to them. Teaching Robotics prepares children for the future. STEM careers are increasingly popular and one of the fastest-growing industries. Getting children enthusiastic about the emergence of robotics and the importance of coding may lead them into their future careers. Programming a robot is complex and requires patience and problem-solving. Teaching Robotics can help children turn their frustration with difficult subjects into something exciting and constructive. These skills can be applied across other subjects. It promotes inclusivity. Programming is a skill that can be mastered by anyone, and Robotics is known to help engage children in logical problem-solving.

Simple Sewing (Mrs Turner)

Children will be learning basic sewing skills such as how to thread a needle and simple stitches, such as a running stitch and cross stitch, using binca and child friendly needles. This will support children to develop their fine motor skills and their hand-eye coordination, as well as being a fantastic skill for them to learn in life.

Environmental Studies (Miss Williams)

Session 1 – What do you know about the environment? Link to local env. Explore nature & what you notice i.e. scavenger hunt, minibeast hunt

Session 2 – Create artwork with items found on scavenger hunt

Session 3 – Where does food come from? Plant some seeds, veg stamping, investigate different fruit/veg

Session 4 – Learn about different animals and what we can do to look after them. Make a bird feeder.

Session 5 - What can we do to help? Recycling, turning off lights, walk/bike/scoot/public transport, use less water. Are our classrooms eco-friendly?

Session 6 – Sharing our work

First Aid – Taking Care & Helping (Mrs James)

Lesson overview Yr Rec -1
Why is first aid important? Staying safe – Spotting dangers and hazards
Emotions and comforting others
Keeping calm Calling for help
Thinking about helping Giving First- Aid
Safety stories
Basic first Aid – recovery position

Prep Enrichment sessions:

Sewing (Mrs Wilson)

Could you confidently re-attach a button, or mend a hole in a much-loved toy or item of clothing? Would you be able to confidently adapt or adjust a special item or even create your own original and useful product?

In these Enrichment sessions, children will be taught some basic skills that will lead them on the road to answer a confident 'yes' to the questions above. They will then use their sewing skills to create a simple stuffed animal that we hope they will be able to enjoy looking at – and even playing with for years to come.

Planning

Session number	Task	Skill/purpose
1	Running stitch	Thread needle Start/finish line of sewing Sew in uniform straight line
2	Back stitch	Sew a secure seam
3	Cut pattern (2-3 pieces only) and begin to join pieces	
4	Finish joining pieces	
5	Stuff & close	
6	Complete product & add detail Challenge: blanket stitch to decorate	Have a product to take away at the end of term

Oracy (Mr Hounsome)

Children will be taught methods to grow and expand their communication skill toolkit. We will discuss the physical and linguistic options available to a speaker, both amongst friends and when speaking publicly in order to best communicate. Children will play games to build skills and rapport with housemates, and will understand strategies that will benefit them in their everyday lives.

Pupil Profile Values and Attitudes to Learning:

Confidence, collaboration, tolerance

Introduction to British Sign Language (Miss Elwood)

Sign Language is a visual form of communicating using a combination of hand shapes, spatial representation, gestures, facial expression, and body language. Sign Language is used mainly by Deaf people and people with hearing difficulties. Sign Language has been used as a method of communication among Deaf people for hundreds of years. We will be working our way through the basic of sign language over the few weeks and learning : greetings, animals, food, colours, clothing and our family!

Basic First Aid (HJ)

Blurb:

The Department for Education recommends that pupils in KS2 should know:

- How to make a clear and efficient call to the emergency services.
- Concepts of basic first-aid e.g dealing with common injuries, and spotting dangers.

The aim of these Enrichment sessions is to give the children a basic understanding of what they can do and how they can help themselves or someone who is in trouble, even if it is just knowing how to explain to someone else what is wrong and how to call the emergency services.

Children who take part in First aid champions will:

- Understand what first aid is
- Learn and practise first aid skills
- Learn how to safely get help in an emergency, including calling 999
- Feel confident and able to help someone who needs first aid
- Learn about kindness and helping others
- Learn about and practise coping skills
- Learn how to care for themselves and others
- Learn and practise how to keep themselves and others safe

Session	Lesson overview Yr 2-6
1	Calling for help Spotting hazards and dangers
2	Bites and stings
3	Asthma
4	Bleeding Burns (dry) / Scalds (wet)
5	Choking
6	Basic Life Support

We know these lessons will be enjoyable and enriching, encouraging our pupils to learn Life Skills for the future.

Please do get in touch if you have any questions:

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