

Reception → Year 2: Montessori Ethos + 6 Core Values + NC KS1

Daily Literacy + Maths — practised everywhere.
Phonics Scheme & Maths Scheme

Montessori's 5 Great Lessons — the topic that makes learning unforgettable

We don't begin with textbooks... we begin with wonder.

Five powerful, story-based lessons:
From the birth of the Universe...
To the coming of Life...
To the story of Human Beings...
To the development of Communication...
To the invention of Mathematics

What it covers

- Universe: planets, stars, light, maps, time
- Earth: rocks, volcanoes, water cycle, weather systems
- Life: habitats, fossils, dinosaurs, classification
- Humans: Communities, inventions, local studies, animal care
- Writing & Numbers: symbols, stories, patterns, measurement, money, data

Reading – Montessori Pink & Blue Series, Dandelion Launchers (Phonics Books) moving on to Oxford Reading Tree.

Spellings – When ready, children will be given spelling lists & formatively assessed and tests in Years 1 & 2

Why it's powerful

- These stories designed by Maria Montessori – spark imagination, at a time when children are naturally asking Big Questions about the World.
- Connects all subjects together in one story – they absorb it.
- Shows children how everything is interconnected
- When children see the big picture, learning has meaning and when learning has meaning, curiosity thrives.
- Inspires children to ask: "How can I contribute?"

KS1 subjects taught by topic:

Science • History • Geography • Art & Design • Design & Technology
Computing • Music • PE • RE (+ PSHE where appropriate)
Creative Arts & Specialist Teachers: Art, DT, Dance, Music & Singing,
Drama, Forest School.

Performances and Public Speaking