This half term in Reception our overarching topic is Knowing Yourself.

COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

Concentrate and sit quietly Follow a story without pictures or props

Tell and act out a story
Use talk to organise, sequence and
clarify thinking

Vocabulary: Perform, act, story, author, illustrator, publisher, order, sequence.

PERSONAL SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Take part in conversations and listen to others

Be aware of and follow the rules
Talk about how to be a good friend

Vocabulary: special, unique, creative, funny, talented, rules, friend, kind, share.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Balance (yoga)
Form recognisable letters
Understand how to keep safe handwashing
Recognise a range of healthy food

Vocabulary: Letter formation, safe, wash, germs, clean, healthy, Yoga, balance, pose, control.

LITERACY

Link sounds to letters Write letters and words Blend and segment simple words

CORE BOOK: Look UP! Anansi the Spider

Vocabulary: order, story, first, next, then, blend, character, description, adjective,



LOOK UP!

Other themes may be developed as we follow the children's interests.

MATHEMATICS

Subitise within 5, perceptually and conceptually

Explore the concept of 'wholes' and 'parts'

Explore the cardinality of 5, linking this to dice patterns and 5 fingers on 1 hand Begin to count beyond 5 Begin to recognise numerals compare sets by matching

Vocabulary: subitise, whole, part, sets, compare, more, less, square, rectangle, triangle circle, curves,

straight, corner

Shapes

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

Talk about family customs and routines

Understand there are similarities and differences between ourselves and others

Remember and talk about significant events in our lives Where are we?
Learn about Bedlington
Make a map of park

Learn how to stay safe on the

Vocabulary: map, park, place, purpose, home, safe, internet, stranger

EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN

Printing and making patterns Cutting skills Folds

Experiment with different textures

Construct with a purpose in mind Sing special songs and perform in front of an audience

Vocabulary: split pin, push, move, cut, line, design, match, choose, select.

RE

Christian celebrations Learn the Christmas story Be part of a Christmas performance Empathise with others

Core Value

Trust

Vocabulary: Christmas, special, event, celebration, decorate, family, perform, birth, Jesus, Stable, Manger

You can help at home by

- Talking about family celebrations
- Encouraging children to write their own invitations, cards etc.
- Uploading a photo of a family celebration/event to Tapestry
- Bringing in old wrapping paper, cards, envelopes and stamps
- Reading bedtime stories together

