# LOWER PREP SPRING CURRICULUM

## **ENGLISH**

## Spoken Language

- Maintain attention and participate actively in collaborative conversations
- Use spoken language to develop understanding

## Comprehension

- Identify how language, structure and layout contribute to meaning
- Discuss their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context
- Infer characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions
- Predict what might happen from details stated and implied

# Composition

- Discuss and record ideas
- · Organise paragraphs around a theme
- · Read aloud their own writing
- Write by composing sentences orally with an increasing range of sentences.
- · Proof-read for spelling and punctuation
- Use and punctuate direct speech
- Create settings, characters and plot

#### Grammar

- Use conjunctions to express time and cause
- · Use verbs, nouns, adjectives and adverbs for effect

# Transcription

- Spell words that are often misspelt including homophones
- · Increase legibility and consistency of handwriting

## **MATHS**

- Partitioning 3-digit numbers
- Understanding place value in money
- Mental addition and Expanded addition
- Using different strategies to subtract
- Times Tables
- Fractions
- Telling the time to 5 minutes
- Data handling: drawing and interpreting bar charts and pictograms



## **SCIENCE**

#### **Rocks and Soils**

- Identify rocks and explore their uses
- Group rocks according to their characteristics
- Plan, carry out and evaluate investigations to compare rocks
- Explore soil and how it is formed
- What fossils are and how they are formed

## Light and Shadow

- · Recognise that we need light in order to see
- Explore light sources including the sun
- Understand what shadows are and why they are formed
- Investigate how shadows behave and how they change throughout the day
- Investigate how light is reflected from different surfaces

#### **GFOGRAPHY**

#### Volcanos

- Explore the features of volcanos and what happens when a volcano erupts
- Understand what Tectonic Plates are and why earthquakes occur
- Explore life in volcanic areas



## **HISTORY**

## **Ancient Egypt**

- The importance of the river Nile
- Everyday life and the hierarchy of society
- Pyramids and the discovery of Tutankhamen's
- Mummification
- Cleopatra

tomb



## RE

- Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Call to Change
- Making things right.
- Celebrating Easter and Pentecost



# ART & DT

- Painting using watercolour and acrylic paints
- Papyrus and Ancient Egyptian art
- Ancient Egyptian Jewellery

