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Welcome back, this year is flying by. We can't believe that we are in our final term of reception. We have lots of fun learning opportunities planned this term and are excited to see how much progress we have made this year. Please keep practicing reading at home and, as always, if you have any questions or queries we are always here to help.

Literacy

This term we will be focussing on reading sentences using our sounds knowledge to help us. We will read words with 'special friends,' use 'Fred in our head' to read words and begin to read many words speedily. We will learn new special friends and be able to read words with these in them. We will talk about stories we have read in class, retelling them in our own words and making predictions about what we think might happen next. There will be lots of opportunities for us to write in class. We will write simple sentences independently using our sounds to help us to spell words. We will also be able to spell some words correctly. We will be using capital letters and full stops in our writing.



Maths

In maths, we will know addition facts for numbers to 5 and their corresponding subtraction facts. We will also learn our number bonds to 10 and know number doubles.

We will explore numbers to 10 and how they are made and be able to say how many are in a set without counting them. We will also be able to count beyond 20 recognising the pattern of the counting sequence.

We will compare sets saying when they have more or less and recognise when quantities are the same. We will also explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be shared equally.

Our topic this term

This term, the theme for reception is 'All Around Me.' We will be looking at our immediate environment, roles and responsibilities people have and comparing where we live to different places.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

During this term, we will develop our confidence, resilience and perseverance and continue to form and maintain positive relationships. We will be able to follow instructions with several parts and be able to regulate our own emotions.

Understanding the World:

We will learn about the roles and responsibilities of different people and talk about people who help us. We will be able to describe features we can see around us, how these have changed over time and how they compare to different places around the world.

We will enjoy watching how seeds and plants grow and find out about different foods and traditions around the world.

We will use different stories to find out about the world and beyond and be able to talk about what we have learnt.

Expressive Arts and Design:

We will learn a range of different songs and stories about the world around us. We will be able to make up our own stories and use these in our play and retell stories using puppets.

We will enjoy drawing and painting different plants, foods, and animals and experiment with different colours, materials and designs.

How can you help at home?

- Talk with your child about their day and encourage them to ask you questions about yours.
- Ask 'how' and 'why' questions ensuring your child answers these speaking in full sentences.
- Learn the days of the week in the right order.
- Sing songs and nursery rhymes.
- Read words with special friends and words with more than 3 sounds (such as shop, think, best, gran, stamp).
- Help your child to write their surname forming their letters correctly.
- Share stories together.

Class information

P.E Day: Wednesday - please ensure your child has their PE kit in school.

P.E kit: all children should change into a plain white t-shirt and black shorts / jogging bottoms and PE pumps.

All long hair should be tied back.

Reading books: children will continue to bring home a story book every week from school for you to share together. These books are to aid your child in reading for pleasure. Once your child is confident at blending their sounds together, they will also bring home a phonics reading book which they will read to you. Due to the high cost of books, if a book is lost or damaged then it will have to be paid for.

Homework: Please ensure your child continues to practice their letter sounds and can recognise 'special friends' in words. Also, please continue to read any books and/or green word cards your child brings home. Please ensure that you are sharing stories together regularly.

In the interests of the children's safety, jewellery is not to be worn at any time.

Trips and visits:

Visit to the local post office - 25th April 2024.

Fire service in school - 29th April 2024.



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