

Traditional Tales

Reception - Autumn Term 1:2– 2023

Literacy

In Literacy we will be reading- Mr Wolfe's Pancake by Jan Fearnley as our Literacy focus but will also be reading the following books:

- Blue
- My Worry Time Monster
- Today I feel Silly
- How are you Felling Today?
- The Story of the Kindness Elves
- Have you Filled Your Bucket yet?

We will be focusing on listening to longer stories and asking relevant questions. Learning and using new vocabulary.

We are aiming for all children to be able to recognise and write their name.

By the end of this half term your child should be able to write CVC words containing the sounds that they have learnt in phonics (s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, o, g, l, c, k, ck, e, u, r, h, b, f, ff, ll and ss) and be able to write short sentences and phrases.

Maths

In Maths we are learning and securing our knowledge of numbers 1 to 5 and securing the following skills:

- Writing numbers 0-5
- Counting from 0 to 5 confidently
- Beginning to subitise to 5
- Knowing 1 more and 1 less than up to 5
- Matching numeral to cardinal value eg: number cards and dot patterns
- Comparing numbers using 'more than', 'less than', 'fewer', 'same'
- Exploring the composition of numbers to 5
- Solve simple jigsaw puzzles up to 10 pieces.
- Continue, copy and create repeating patterns.

Art

We like to create Art based on the books that we are reading.

Each week your child will create a piece of art work, based on Traditional Tales.. The children will also work with clay this half term.

Phonics

In Phonics we are learning how to orally blend and segment. For example, if we spell the word c-a-t (using letter sounds, not letter names) the children need to be able to tell us what we have spelt 'cat'.

We will also ask children to orally spell a given word to us (only words with two or three sounds).

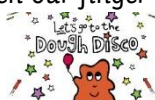
Each week we learn 3-4 new sounds and we will send home these new letters as flashcards in your child's book bag for your child to practise recognising them.

By the end of Autumn 2, we are aiming for your child to be able to read phase 2 books, **fluently**. Therefore, it is important that they are secure with the sounds we learn each week, so that they can use these to read 2 and 3 letter words.

Handwriting & Letter Formation

Handwriting is very important for Reception children because they need to strengthen and build control of their fingers and hands.

In order to support this, we do 'Dough Disco' each day to strengthen our finger muscles!



Please encourage your child to hold their pencil correctly at home when practising their writing (Nip, flip and grip).

Please practise this as often as possible.

PE

Reception children will take part in physical activity with the sports coaches

Please encourage your child to be independent when dressing.

Reception have P.E on a Monday and Tuesday.



Understanding the World

In history we will look at the past and at events before the children were born. e.g. Remembrance Day. In science we will also be exploring the concept of floating and sinking through scientific experiments.

In geography the children will be looking at recycling at how this is important for our planet.

Computing will explore the importance of staying safe on-line.

In music the children will be practising the songs for Christmas.

In D & T we will make pancakes to celebrate Shrove Tuesday.