

Literacy

In Literacy we will be reading- Little Whale by Jo Weaver but will also be reading the following books: The Rainbow Fish, The Singing Mermaid, Little Turtle and the Sea, We All Go Travelling by..., Duck in the Truck, You Can't Take an Elephant on the Bus.

We will be focusing on different characters, settings and key events in the story. Children will be encouraged to write short sentences and phrases linked to the texts and will also be learning and using new vocabulary.

Children will be encouraged to engage with non-fiction texts and talk confidently about fictional stories and use questions to check their understanding.

We are aiming for all children to be able to recognise and write their name without their name card by the end of this half term!

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 Phase 2 and beginning of Phase 3

Phonics

In Phonics we will be learning how to sort objects and words by initial sounds and how to orally blend and segment.

Each week we learn 3-5 new sounds please check the bookbags for new flashcards every ween and practice them at home.

By the end of Spring 1, we are aiming for all children 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. Children will be working on Phase 3a – 3c. **Please practice these at home.**

Reception children will take part in physical activity on Thursday afternoon.

Please remember to bring your **PE kit** 😊



Reception



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

Please encourage your child to hold their pencil correctly at home when practising their writing

(Nip it, flip it and grip it).

M a t h s

In Maths we will be learning and securing our knowledge of numbers 1 to 10

This will include being able to:

- Write numbers 0 to 10.
- Count from 0 to 10
- Count up to 10 objects
- Say 1 more and 1 less than, up to 10.
- Explore the composition of numbers to 10.
- Use resources to work out number bonds 1 - 10.
- Use number bonds to subitise some amounts to 10.
- Compose and decompose shapes recognising the different shapes within shapes.
- Compare 3 objects based on length

Understanding the World

In **art**, we will be mixing paints to create secondary colours.

In **history**, we will discuss how travel has changed over the years.

In **science**, we will explore some elements of Space and look at the moon landing.

In **geography**, we will focus on our country and celebrate what is great about England.

In **Religious Education** we will discuss the different religions that are celebrated around the world.

In **music**, our focus will be on instruments and how they impact music.

For **D&T** we will look at our five senses.