

Reception Summer Term 1

Curriculum Map

Topic: Amazing Animals



Phonics

This half term we will be continuing to learn our phase 3 sounds and consolidating our phase 2 learning. We use Pearson's Bug Club Phonics to do this. Within these lessons we will practice our letter formation, blend sounds together to read words and write dictated sentences. We will be learning more tricky words and continuing developing our use of our phonics knowledge in our writing.

English/ Communication and Language

Most of our English is covered in our phonics lesson. To coincide with our topic we will have core texts that we will explore. These will include 'George and the Dragon', 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'The Extraordinary Gardener'. We will also be reading many other stories, poetry and rhymes together. We will be continuing to focus on our listening skills, our comprehension of stories. We will be continuing to develop our letter/ number formation, writing CVC words and continue to develop on phonetical awareness. This half term we are focussing on applying our phonics knowledge to our writing to be able to write captions and short sentences.



Maths

This half term we will be focussing on numbers to 10 and counting beyond 10. We will be exploring how to represent numbers to 10 and looking at the one more/ one less relationship between numbers.

Music (Expressive Arts)

This half term the children will be thinking about the song 'down there under the sea'. In this unit the children will be developing a song by composing new words, adding movements and adding props.

We will also be exploring call-and-response songs as well as experimenting with creating sea sound effects on percussion instruments.

RE

Within RE we will be thinking about the question 'What can we learn from stories?'. This half term we will be learning about stories from around the world such as 'The boy who cried wolf', 'Best Friends' and 'The crocodile and the priest' and will be exploring what these stories tell us.



Understanding the World

Past and Present - 'Adventures through time' - We will be comparing and contrasting people from the past, exploring how the environment has changed and looking at our families.

People, Culture and Communities - 'Exploring Maps' - We will be continuing our learning about maps and how they are used.

Natural World - 'Animal adventures' and 'Our beautiful planet' - We will be learning all about different types of animals and will be looking at plants/what plants need to grow.

Physical Development

In our PE sessions we will be focusing on Athletics, jumping with control and developing our throwing skills.

We will be also be focussing on using a comfortable pencil grip with good control, being healthy, moving with balance and control, negotiating space and focussing on the orientation of our letter and number shapes.

PSHE

Both Mrs Mason and Miss Hole will be teaching us PSHE. This half terms topic is all about 'Being My Best'. In this unit we will be exploring how to manage our feelings when things get tricky and all the different ways we can look after our health.

Art and DT (Expressive Arts)

This half term we will be exploring making mark in different ways, such as making paints using plants, experimenting with water colours and using our senses in drawing. We will also be exploring patterns and using a range of materials to make different patterns and create pictures.

In addition to this we will be having a go at some country dancing.

How you can support at home

Each week your child will come home with a reading book for them to read to you, please sit with your child and support them in sounding out and blending the words as well as discussing the story. They will also bring a sharing book, this is for you to read to your child and enjoy together. The flashcards with the sounds, CVC words and tricky words we have learnt so far are great for playing lots of games, maybe you can take turns being the teacher or hide them around the house and try to find them. Your child will also have a letter formation book where each week we will add letters that we have practiced together. The children can practice these letters in this book or alternatively they can practice forming these letters in more creative ways such as using chalk outside, with paint or in the air with ribbons.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to an exciting half term!