

Our Phonics Learning

This half term the children will:

In phonics we will be learning the sounds:
s,a,t,p,i,n,m,d,o,c,k,ck,e,u,r,h,b,f,l.

Tricky words: I, is, the.

The children will learn the sound (phoneme) and how it is written (grapheme). Embedding these new sounds will also be supported through a variety of activities within provision.

You could help your child with their phonics learning by:

- Reading your child's reading book regularly at home and filling in the reading diary.
- Practice all of the sounds sent home with your child.
- segment sounds when carrying out every day tasks such as: "can you get your c-oa-t?"

RE Learning

We will be looking at the importance of God and the Christian belief that God created the heavens and the earth. Focusing on the key events from the creation story.



Reception Newsletter

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The title of our current topic is: Super Duper You!

This half term Reception class are focusing on the story 'Super Duper You'. We will be discussing how we are all different and all special! We will also be looking at different family structures and will be looking at our own family photos. Throughout this topic we will be exploring how we keep healthy and how much we have grown over time, comparing photos from when the children were babies to now.

We will also be looking at 'The Colour Monster'. This story focuses on different emotions and helps children to identify why they feel the way they do. We will be discussing and labelling the different emotions that we can feel and will be looking at ways which we can help ourselves and each other to work through some challenging emotions.

Other news & updates about our class:

Please label jumpers and cardigans with your child's name. It is difficult for staff to find missing items if they are not labelled.

PE is every Wednesday starting from next half term. Please send them in their PE kits on every Wednesday from next half

Our Mathematics Learning

This half term the children will:

In Maths we are focusing on reciting numbers 1 – 10 and subitising upto 4 objects (recalling without counting). We will also be identifying one more and one less than a given number and will be linking quantity to the corresponding numerals.

You could help your child with their Maths learning by:

- Singing counting songs that focus on counting forwards and encourage the children to join in with the actions '1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Once I Caught a Fish Alive'; 'Two Little Dicky Birds Sitting on a Wall'.
- Count the steps when walking upstairs
- Ask children to pass you specific number of items e.g. 3 spoons.
- Comment on grouping of objects "I can see 2 and 1 which makes 3"

Art Learning

In Art the children will be looking at 'Marvelous Marks', using a variety of media to create different marks whilst exploring a variety of colours and colour mixing.

My Happy Mind

During My Happy Mind we will be learning all about the brain and how the brain helps us to learn and play.