

Letters and Sounds

The children have made a great start to their letters and sounds sessions and many of them can now recognise and write some sounds (also known as phonemes). This coming term we will focus on blending the sounds so they can read the words in simple sentences and recognising tricky words. We will also practise segmenting words to help us write them, and of course continue practising writing in cursive.

How to help at home

Using your phonics pack - practise writing the letters in cursive at home

Physical Development

This term, our PE focus is dance. We will be learning that our movements can be reproduced in time to the music and beat and to different speeds. We will learn to perform a wide variety of dance actions and patterns.

How to help at home

Practise getting changed into their PE kits.

Please bring in your child's PE kit every Friday!

Communication and Language

We will practise listening to and following stories without pictures or props. We will use our developing language skills to give explanations, using talk to explain their understanding. We will practise introducing a storyline to our role play.

How to help at home:

Talk to your child about their current interests, ask them questions to help them to extend their explanations.

Mathematics

We will practise recognising, writing and using numbers to 20. We will begin to practise simple addition and subtraction using practical resources. The children will practise naming both 2D and 3D shapes and learn how to describe them using mathematical language. We will explore different measures and practise using the correct language to describe size.

How to help at home:

Using objects at home, practise finding the total of 2 groups by counting them all.

Understanding the World

This term we will be following the children's interests and thinking about the wider world. Such as investigating different types of transport, exploring the different elements of space and even talking about what lives under the sea. This will help the children to talk about how and why things work, and look closely at similarities and differences in our world.

How to help at home:

Talk about special events at home.



Reception

Spring 1

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children will be encouraged to build role play ideas in a group. They will have opportunities to create stories and talk about their home life with their friends. The children will talk about the different feelings we have and appropriate responses to these. We will talk about our different talents and skills and celebrate these in Family Group time

How to help at home:

Talk about the importance of sharing resources and taking turns

Literacy

We will be looking deeper into a range of interesting stories, talking about the characters, the events and the settings. Children will begin to apply their phonic knowledge to read simple words and sentences too. In writing we will be writing about a range of subjects. E.g. Interesting facts about transport, a simple recount of the story of the week, or even about the children's own interests and stories too. We will continue to practise writing in cursive and segmenting using our phonic knowledge.

How to help at home:

Read a story to your child at bed time. Practise finding different letter sounds in the book.