

Year R Curriculum flyer



Hope you have had a lovely Christmas holiday.

This half term the children will be developing their understanding about the world through our topic 'Dear Polar Bear'. We will be looking at different types of bears around the world, Winter festivals, sporting activities, as well as looking at the polar regions on the planet to look at and compare life there. We shall be exploring ice and investigating forces including magnets.

In Monster Phonics we will continue to recognise and write diagraphs (2 letters which together make a sound) as well as key words. These will continue to be sent home on Fridays.

Our literacy lessons will be based around 'Talk for Writing' using the story 'The Sleepy Bumble Bee'. The main emphasis will be learning the story off by heart so that all children can retell the story verbally. We will then look at how we can change the story to create our own following the style of the story. We will practise writing labels, captions and sentences using our developing Phonic knowledge and continue to practise our letter formation. We will be practising making up and retelling our own stories.

In Maths we will be looking at numbers to 10, which includes looking at the composition of numbers to 10, 1 more/less, pairs of numbers that make 10 and introducing 3 numbers to make 10, as well as introducing odd and even numbers and 3D shapes. Please practise recognising numbers to 10 if your child doesn't know them.

In Expressive Arts we will be continuing to play the Boomwhackers and singing a variety of songs. We will also be continuing our weekly art activities involving collage (using a variety of media) and printing.

Please find attached a topic overview we will be covering during this topic. If you have any evidence to support what we are covering or anything you think is important for us to know in your child's development e.g. has just started to ride a 2 wheeled bike, please send us your evidence via Evidence Me.

PE

PE will continue on Wednesdays. This ½ term we will be looking at dance. This will be provided by an outside provider. Children are not allowed to wear jewellery and we do not allow earrings to be worn. If your child has their ears pierced, they must be able to remove these themselves or not wear earrings on PE days. We are not able to cover earrings with plasters.

Homework

Reading – all children should be reading for at least 15 minutes per day at least 4 times a week. Phonic sounds (phonemes) and key words will be sent home weekly. The more confident your child is in knowing these, the more progress they will make in their reading. If your child is unable to spell their full name, please practise this too (Dotty versions will be sent home to support this). Support on practising numbers/shapes or other related maths skills will either be sent via Class Dojo.

Welly Wednesdays

A new year of Welly Wednesday sessions will begin 8th January. We have waterproofs and wellies for each child but if your child would prefer to wear their own, please bring them in a carrier bag with all items labelled.



Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to those who have already given some voluntary contribution towards our weekly consumables that we use to support the children with their learning. These include play dough, rice, pasta for fine motor activities and foil, string for box modelling, cornflakes, Weetabix for small world. If you haven't already done so, and are able to support us in providing these, we ask for a voluntary contribution of £1 per ½ term. Please send your contribution in a named envelope.

Need to contact us? Please message me via the Class Dojo.

Mrs Heysmond.