

Reception Newsletter
Summer

Welcome back to our last term in reception! Well done to all the children who have shared their holiday challenges on Class Dojo. It has been lovely to see you working hard and continuing your learning at home. As always, thank you for your continued support.

Maths

Please see below an overview of what we will be teaching in Maths over the next two half terms. During the summer term we will continue to practise and consolidate key skills such counting principles, subitising, composition, sorting and matching and comparing and ordering.

Summer 1

In summer 1 we will be exploring the following units:

- Exploring 3D shapes
 - o Exploring the names and properties of 3D shapes, building on our 2D knowledge.
- To 20 and beyond
 - o Building on our knowledge of numbers to 10 by exploring numbers to 20 and beyond.
- How many now?
 - o Introducing addition and subtraction.

Summer 2

In summer 2 we will be exploring the following units:

- Manipulate, compose and decompose
 - o Exploring shapes to understand shapes within shapes, nets and other features.
- Visualise, build and map
 - o Creating patterns, drawing models and exploring maps of our local area.
- Making connections
 - o Developing and building on our knowledge from the year and developing the foundations of Year 1 maths.

How could you support your child?

There are plenty of things you can do at home to support your child's mathematical journey!

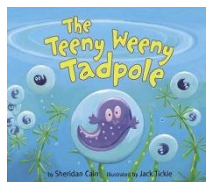
- On BBC iPlayer, you will find 'Numberblocks' which we use in school to support your child's understanding of singular numbers and addition.
- White Rose Maths have a '1 minute maths' app which can help your children with their subitising and addition. This is free to download.
- 'Top Marks' has lots of quick maths games involving counting, patterns and shapes. This website works on computers, tablets and phones.

Talk for Writing

Please see below the books we will be using as our focus texts in literacy. This term our focus will be to write recognisable letters in the correct formation, write simple captions and sentences and practise reading the work we have written to check it makes sense. We will also be developing our comprehension skills through key vocabulary and questioning.

Summer 1

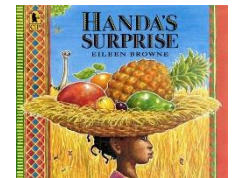
The Teeny Weeny Tadpole



Teeny Weeny Tadpole longs to jump around like his newfound friends, Lamb, Rabbit, and Grasshopper, and gets his chance when he turns into a little frog and outsmarts a Big Bad Fish by jumping higher than any of his friends!

Summer 2

Handa's Surprise



A storybook about a girl who collects seven fruits for her friend, but they are stolen by various animals along the way. The book explores themes of sharing, friendship, and culture through questions, vocabulary, and activities for different subjects.

Topic	
Summer 1	Summer 2
Our topic this term is 'Born to be wild...'. We will be learning all about animal lifecycles including hens, butterflies, and frogs. We will also look at animals that live in hot environments and animals that live in cold environments including their habitats. We will learn about the effects of global warming on habitats and how to care for our environment.	Our topic for Summer 2 term is 'Go your own way...'. During this topic we will look at different counties around the world and discuss the similarities and differences of life in this country and life other countries. We will learn about journeys and different ways to travel as well as exploring and using maps. Transition to year 1 will also form parts of our discussions.
Phonics	
Summer 1	Summer 2
This half term we will learning to read and write cvcc ccvc ccvcc cccvc and suffix -ed /ed/ /t/ /d/ We will learn the following words; Real words: painted, bumped, joined, fixes, spotted, dressed, stormed, crushes, blended, stamped, printed, sprained, strapped, scrolled, splashes Nonsense words: laig, spown, thurb, zerd, fure, glinked	This half term we will begin phase 5 GPCs: ay, ou, ie, ea, oy, ir, ue, aw, wh, ph, ew, oe, au, ey, a-e, e-e Real words: play, shout, tie, dream, joy, bird, clue, lawn, wheel, dolphin, screw, tiptoe, haunt, donkey, quake, athlete Nonsense: phid, whom, claup, droy, scabe, fleme
How could you support your child?	
Reading with your child is the most effective way of supporting your child at home. We encourage children to read at least 4 times a week and listen to their adults read a range of stories and non-fiction books such as their reading for pleasure book. The following website provide opportunities for children to practise and apply their phonics skills at home.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oxford Reading Owl: Essential Letters and Sounds Oxford Owl • Teach your Monster to Read: Teach Your Monster: Free Phonics, Reading and Mathematics Games • Phonics play: PhonicsPlay 	
Key information:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PE will now be on a Friday for the Summer Term. Please can PE kits be brought in bags for children to change into. This is to prepare children for changing in Year 1. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading for pleasure books and phonics reading books are changed every Friday. • Please continue to write in reading records books every time you read with your child. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bookbags to be brought into to school every day 	
Upcoming Events	
Please note that we are always looking to add further enhancements to our curriculum so more dates may be added. While we always endeavour to keep the dates as stated, however, occasionally changes may occur that are out of the control of the academy. We will always communicate these via weekly newsletters, electronic messages or by letter. More information about many events will be communicated nearer to the time.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 02.05.24 Triple P parent workshop • 17.04.24 EYFS SEND coffee morning • 02.05.24 Nursery closed due to election day • 08.05.24 & 09.05.24 Stay and play • 13.05.24 Mental Health Awareness Week • 21.05.24 World Day for Cultural Diversity • 22.05.24 Tempest Class Photographs • 22.05.24 House Games Spelling Bee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 03.06.24 Inset Day • Wc 10.06.24 Family Assemblies • Wc 24.06.24 Sports Days • 22.07.24 Inset Day