

Curriculum Newsletter

Spring 2020 ~ Class 1 (Reception)

So that you feel clear about the teaching and learning intentions for the Spring Term 2020, please enjoy reading this overview, we hope that you find it helpful ...

Hello again,

We asked the children what they would like to learn about and their ideas were diverse ideas to say the least! So, with a bit of clever joined up thinking we will be using toys as a basis for our learning, under the theme of 'Superheroes'.

We will begin by looking at the toys we just received for Christmas. Describing these toys will help us to understand that we all have different preferences and that we can share and play together. Since most of us love Superheroes we will be making our own company who will be helping a (fictitious) toy manufacturer to devise a new super hero and accessories, so to do this we will need to find out about existing super heroes. We will then move on to looking at toys that we had as a baby, but perhaps don't play with now, and why. We will also be looking at toys that people used to play with in times gone by, and in particular, how the good old teddy bear has changed over time. We will be doing lots of making and imagining with boxes. We ask you if ever have anything delivered in a **massive** box, please do not throw it away. These **huge** boxes are great to use in school, to be anything from a boat to a bus.

We keep going with our reading and writing by remembering those letter sounds and words to help us to read and write a sentence and finding out about what we need to write a good sentence; like capital letters, full stops and spaces, as well as the terms 'noun' 'verb' and 'adjective'. We need to remember what all the numbers look like because this term we are going up to twenty and beyond. We will be using what we know about numbers to help us to solve measuring problems and to use the correct words for positions.

We would like to share what we are learning about towards the end of term along with a bit of a stay and play event will be a time for us to show what we have been learning about. Details on Dojo, nearer the time.

Before we know it, it will be half term again, so keep on with those letters, reading and numbers... you are doing a fantastic job in helping your child have those precious skills at their fingertips. See you soon.

Mrs Luddington

Homework Update:

For homework your child will have a:

- 📖 Reading Book which they have chosen. It is lovely to hear about other books they read or listen to as well
- 📖 Little Pink Sounds book where we will add new sounds. We have done all the single sounds and will now be looking at two or three sounds that we put together to make another sound. These are called digraphs and trigraphs.
- 📖 Word Bag filled with high frequency words which we check on a Friday and give out more of the top 100 useful words

Remember to carry on looking at and talking about **numbers** and **letters** as you're out and about, they need to be as familiar as cats and dogs.

Messages:

P.E will take place on Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure that your child has a labelled kit in school. Try to make sure that your child is wearing easy to dress clothes on these days.

Please bring a coat every day because we try and get out whatever the weather. Wellies are also good to have when the weather needs them. Remember we are often in our Gruffalo Wood and this type of outdoor learning can be messy.

Keep looking on class dojo and tapestry to see all the things we get up to which help us to learn.

We will once again have a Project Gallery at the end of term on Friday 27th March 2020 – details to follow.