



YEAR R - SPRING TERM

LITERACY

This term, the children will be streamed for phonics lessons across the year group. This allows us to target specific learning needs, however all of the children will still be taught new phonics sounds. We are also focusing on correct letter formation and ensuring that children apply this to their independent writing.
All of the children are making progress as readers and show a growing interest in reading for pleasure. We are looking forward to sharing lots of stories and will also begin to read for information this term.

MATHS

We will be doing lots of ordering and recognising numbers with a particular focus on counting on and back from a given number. We will be adding and subtracting practically and learning how to add by counting on. We will also be focusing on naming and describing 3D shapes. There will be lots of opportunity to use positional language and to explore different lengths and heights.

TOPIC

Out Of The Egg

During the first few weeks our learning will be inspired by an enormous egg which has turned up in Year R! The children will be using nonfiction books to learn about which animals lay eggs. As part of child initiated learning, once the children have decided where the egg came from, this will shape the rest of our topic. For example, they may decide it came from a dinosaur, dragon or snake!

On Wednesday mornings the teachers will be:
Ahlberg-Mrs Broom
Butterworth-Mrs Clappison
Inkpen-Mrs Carver

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

In ICT we will continue to make use of a variety of programs and use programmable toys to develop our computer skills.
We will be learning about the similarities and difference between different animals. We will learn about footprints, fossils and different types of eggs.

EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN

Our music will be linked to our topic and will include lots of singing and musical activities focusing on rhythm.
In Art and Design we will use our topic to inspire photography, collage and painting from memory and imagination.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

PE lessons will include games, dance and gymnastics.
As we use the outside area during the day please ensure that your children come to school in appropriate clothing (coats, gloves, hats etc). You may need to check that your child's plimsolls/trainers still fit after the holiday and that all clothing is clearly named! Please also ensure that girls' hair longer than shoulder length is tied back, especially on PE days and that earrings are removed.

COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

We will be focusing on listening skills so that the children are able to respond to what they hear with relevant comments, questions or actions. We will continue to develop the children's vocabulary by exploring and modelling new words during their learning.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Rules, routines and expectations are a part of school life and we shall continue to reinforce these!
In circle time we will be reinforcing the school virtues. We will also be continuing to build self-confidence and independence amongst the children.