

Curriculum Information for Parents

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term, we will be reflecting on how we have grown since starting school in September. We will also be considering what we are looking forward to as we transition into a new school year. This includes: exploring books about growing and having reflective conversations about what we couldn't do that we can do now. We are continuing in our development of strategies to help resolve conflicts and be able to communicate our own and others' emotions.

Physical Development

Fine motor skills: We will be continuing to practice the correct pencil grip and letter formation, paying attention to where the letters start and which direction they are formed.

Gross motor skills: Using strength, balance, co-ordination, agility, we will be practicing a range of athletic games in preparation for sports day.

Communication and Language

This half term we will focus on talking about the past and future whilst using the correct tense. We will also be expanding our drawing club stories and using story maps to help us re-tell stories.

Understanding of the World

We will be exploring a range of celebrations some of which include: Father's Day, Eid, Disability awareness day. In addition to this, we will be thinking about our past achievements, current achievements and what our future goals are.

Look at me now!

Other Information

- ❖ We will be launching our new topic 'Look at me now' on **4th of June!** Please can the children come to school dressed up as something they want to be when they grow up.
- ❖ We have noticed an increase in the amount of phonics folders which are not being brought to school daily. Please can you ensure your child brings this every day as we use them in our phonics lessons. Thank you!
- ❖ We will be continuing our visits to the school library on Fridays to give children the opportunity to pick 2 new library books for you to read to them at home. Please ensure your child brings their books to be swapped as we are unable to issue new books unless the previous weeks are returned.
- ❖ Our PE sessions will continue on Tuesdays. Therefore, please bring your child's washed PE Kit as soon as possible.

Suggestions to help your child at home...

- ❖ With your children make CVC and CVCC words in a fun way (for example using magnets, chalk and paint).
- ❖ Continue to listen to your child read frequently and don't forget they can earn 2 reading leaves a night!
- ❖ See the upcoming home learning for more ideas!

Year R – Spring 2 2024

Our learning during this unit will include....

Literacy

Within phonics, children will continue to learn new sounds and common words whilst also consolidating previously taught words/sounds. We are continuing to work on our formation of letters and will be applying this to our writing in Drawing club. We are also continuing to write captions within our discovery time.

Maths

Our maths sessions this term will explore many concepts including:

- Grouping and sharing quantities, fairly.
- Creating visual patterns
- Exploring maps
- Identifying Positions
- Evens and odds
- Doubles
- Making connections between our maths learning so far

Expressive Arts and Design

This half term we will be creating self portraits of ourselves. We will also be making props using a range of materials to help us re-tell the drawing club stories. As a challenge we will experiment with which instruments we can use to add sound effects to these stories