

Summer Term 2023 Curriculum Plan

Year R

Communication and Language	This term we will further develop the children's listening and attention skills. We will continue to extend their range of vocabulary through sharing a wide range of stories, songs and rhymes. We will also continue to develop the children's ability to speak in sentences. We will use our Steps to Read key texts to teach new vocabulary and ask anchor questions to develop the children's understanding. We will continue with Wellcomm and Talk Boost and use games from these interventions to support children's communication skills.
Literacy	This term we will using the key texts; The Extraordinary Gardener and The Storm Whale from our Read to Write scheme. We will use these stories to encourage the children to attempt writing for different purposes. Examples of our tasks include writing instructions on how to plant a sunflower and creating a poem about a sea creature. We will be developing the children's comprehension skills using key texts such as, Seed to Plant and The Sea Saw. In phonics we will continue to revisit phases two and three while continuing our learning in to Phase 4. We will continue to sharpen our blending and segmenting skills and use these skills to write simple sentences. We will learn how to form letters by looking at different letter families such as curly caterpillar and long ladder letters. The children continue to practise writing their names and surnames.
Mathematics	 In maths we will consolidate our counting skills, counting to larger numbers and developing a wider range of counting strategies. We will gain a secure knowledge of number facts through varied practice. Pupils will: continue to develop their counting skills, counting larger sets as well as counting actions and sounds explore a range of representations of numbers, including the 10-frame, and see how doubles can be arranged in a 10-frame compare quantities and numbers, including sets of objects which have different attributes continue to develop a sense of magnitude, e.g. knowing that 8 is quite a lot more than 2, but 4 is only a little bit more than 2
Understanding the World	Past and present - This term we will spend time reflecting on our first year at school and remembering some of the special moments. We will be learning about our new King and celebrating his Coronation. We will also be recording how our class caterpillars change over time to become beautiful butterflies. We will be comparing the seaside today to how it was in the past and looking at lighthouses and their role in keeping people safe.

	The Natural World- By immersing the children in different stories, we have the opportunity to develop their understanding of the world around them in many ways. For example, through our Extraordinary Gardener story, we will be finding out about plants and Flowers and how they grow. Through reading Storm Whale we will find out about a range of creatures that live under the sea. We will continue to use the 'Wanderlust Nature Program', to develop the children's understanding of the world around them by exploring spring and summer. We will look at how the seasons of spring and summer change our immediate environment, what happens to our local wildlife during these seasons. We will also look at changes to plants and trees during spring and summer. Later on in the term we will be looking for signs of Summer.
	People, Cultures and Communities- This term we will learn what is special about our world and which places are special for different people and why?. We will also spend time thinking and talking about change to prepare the children for the next step in their school life and becoming Y ear Ones. The children in Reception class will have weekly French sessions. During these sessions, they will learn some simple French vocabulary to help us talk about Minibeasts and fruit.
	This term, we will be asking the children to create an end of year self-portrait to show how much their skills have developed. We will be looking at the work of artists such as Matisse and create sculptures of minibeasts we have observed. Our drama and dance lessons will be based on stories we are reading in class.
Expressive Art and Design	The children will be given plenty of opportunities to develop their imagination through role play and small world activities linked to stories we have shared. We will be following the Music scheme 'Charanga'. This term, the children will - learn about the interrelated dimensions of music through singing, improvising and playing classroom instruments. They will also consolidate what they have learned in music this year and perform some of their favourite songs to be recorded and shared with their parents.
	The children will continue to participate in lots of physical activities in Reception, riding bikes, climbing, running and jumping. In PE, the children will be developing ball skills such as throwing and catching and we will be practising our athletic skills in preparation for taking part in our school sports day!
Physical Development	The children will also continue take part in 'Funky Fingers' sessions to help refine their fine motor skills. We will be continuing to encourage children to manage their own basic hygiene needs, including handwashing and will extend this to managing their own clothing and fastenings such as zips on coats and buttons on cardigans and t-shirts. We will be taking part in regular dance lessons with Miss Kirsty linked to stories we have read in class.

	This term, we will be continuing to develop the children's independence and prepare
Personal, Social	them for life in Year One. We will continue to celebrate children's achievements in
and Emotional	Celebration Assembly. We will use the PSHE scheme Jigsaw to support the children's
Development	personal, social and emotional development through the themes Relationships and
	Changing Me.