

Northwood Primary School



Reception Curriculum Newsletter



Curriculum Information - Topics					
Autumn 1 2023	Autumn 2 2023	Spring 1 2024	Spring 2 2024	Summer 1 2024	Summer 2 2024
Marvellous Me	Let's Celebrate	People Who Help Us	New Life	Amazing Animals	It's A Wonderful World

Homework Timetable – Reception		
	Issued	Returned to School
Reading/Library Book	New book is issued on Friday	Book to be returned to school on Thursday
Home Enrichment Activities		

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Communication and Language	Children will be encouraged to take part in circle time activities within small groups and whole class. There will be lots of opportunities for pupils to express their views, share stories and become confident to speak in a familiar group.	Please read with your child regularly and return books to school so that a new title can be issued. Your child will not receive a new book until their current one is returned.																		
Literacy	<p>Pupils will have the opportunity to engage in role play to develop their expressive language.</p> <p>Stories covered this half term will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key Author Text – The Smartest Giant in Town by Julia Donaldson Traditional Tale – The Three Little Pigs <p>Drawing Club stories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats My Hair by Hannah Lee & Allen Fatimaharan The Hundred Decker Bus by Mike Smith I Love Chinese New Year by Eva Wong Nava <p>Songs covered will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seasons Song Here Comes The Firetruck Chinese New Year Dragon Dance Subitise Rock to 10 <p>Pupils will continue develop their writing skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter formation Writing on the line Full name writing Words and sentences containing the learned phonics sounds 	<p>Encourage your child to recognise any 'tricky words' they find in their books or in their environment. Tricky words are words that cannot always be worked out by blending. In school, pupils have been introduced to all Phase 2 tricky words and are beginning Phase 3 this half term.</p> <p>Phase 3 pure sounds video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DvOuc7cWXxc</p> <p>Phase 3 tricky word song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R087LYrRpgY</p> <p>Little Wandle Reception Spring 1 overview</p> <table border="1"> <caption>Reception Spring 1</caption> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Phase 3 graphemes</th> <th>New tricky words</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Week 1</td> <td>ai ee igh oa</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Week 2</td> <td>oo oo ar or</td> <td>was you they</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Week 3</td> <td>ur ow oi ear</td> <td>my by all</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Week 4</td> <td>air er words with double letters: dd mm tt bb rr gg pp ff</td> <td>are sure pure</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Week 5</td> <td>longer words</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Phase 3 graphemes	New tricky words	Week 1	ai ee igh oa		Week 2	oo oo ar or	was you they	Week 3	ur ow oi ear	my by all	Week 4	air er words with double letters: dd mm tt bb rr gg pp ff	are sure pure	Week 5	longer words	
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<p>Mathematics</p>	<p>During Maths, this half term, we will begin by looking at the composition of the number 5 and recap previous learning. From this we will move on at measuring capacity, comparing length and comparing height.</p> <p>We will then grow our numbers further by looking at 6, 7 and 8. Alongside this we will look at one more and one less. We will also look at doubling numbers to 8 and explore odd and even numbers.</p> <p><u>Nursery Rhymes</u></p> <p>Children love to sing and can learn from singing nursery rhymes. The following nursery rhymes below are a great start:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 speckled frogs • 5 currant buns • 5 little ducks • 5 little men in flying saucer • 5 little monkeys 	<p>Compare the weight of everyday objects at home. Which is the lightest? Which is the heaviest? Can you find an object heavier than..?</p> <p>Capacity- water play with different containers. Which container holds the most/least? Encourage the use of the vocabulary, full, half full and empty.</p> <p><u>Number Activities:</u></p> <p>Practise adding two groups of objects together to find the total. Encourage and model accurate counting to enable precision.</p>
<p>Understanding the World</p>	<p>This half term, the topic is 'People Who Help Us'.</p> <p>Children will learn about people in the community who help us:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firefighters • Doctors • Police • Vets • Teachers <p>Children will be introduced to different jobs such as farmer, hairdresser and retail workers. Children will be encouraged to compare photographs of people who help us now compared to then and talk about what is the same or different.</p> <p>They will learn about celebrations such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chinese New Year • Shrove Tuesday • Ash Wednesday • Lent <p>They will find out about where and how these are celebrated around the world.</p>  <p>Children will also explore the season of Winter and look at the changes in the environment.</p>	<p>Discuss with your child at home about people in the local community and how they help us. Go for a walk in the local area and point out where the fire station, doctors and police station is.</p> <p>Children can research the job they would like to do when they are older! What skills do they need to learn and develop to do that job?</p> <p>When going on a walk watch out for the signs of Winter. Talk about the cold weather, it getting dark earlier, animals hibernating and the bare branches on the trees.</p>
<p>Expressive Arts and Design</p>	<p>During child initiated learning pupils will have access to a wide variety of creative materials and will be able to express their own creativity. Pupils will be able to access a variety of small world and role play activities to develop expressive language.</p> <p>Children will also make a toy car using dowels and wheels. They will design, make, test and evaluate it in groups.</p> <p>Pupils will develop their repertoire of Nursery Rhymes, Action Songs and themed songs. The Nursery rhymes covered this half term are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doctor Foster • London Bridge is Falling Down • Old Mother Hubbard • Polly Put The Kettle On • It's Raining, It's Pouring 	<p>Use playdough to practise rolling, shaping and moulding their own creations.</p> <p>Listen and sing along at home to the nursery rhyme of the week sent home via MarvellousMe.</p> <p>Nursery Rhymes and Songs - BBC Teach</p>  <p>Nursery Rhymes and Songs - Medleys</p> <p>Includes 60', 30' and 20' medleys, counting songs, action songs and medleys by Cat Sandion and Andy Day.</p>