








Early Years Curriculum Newsletter

Curriculum Information - Topics					
Autumn 1 2022	Autumn 2 2022	Spring 1 2023	Spring 2 2023	Summer 1 2023	Summer 2 2023
Ourselves	Celebrations Around the World	Dinosaurs	Animals and their babies	Stories from other cultures	The Seaside

Homework Timetable – Reception		
	Issued	Returned to School
Reading/Library Book	New Book is issued on Friday	
Home learning	Wednesday	Tuesday

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Curriculum Area	Reception	Home Enrichment Activities																										
<p>Communication and Language</p> <p>Literacy</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Pupils will have the opportunity to engage in role play to develop their expressive language.</p> <p>Stories covered will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tyrannosaurus Drip by Julia Donaldson Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs by Ian Whybrow Dear Dinosaur by Chae Strathie How to Catch a Dinosaur by Adam Wallace Dinosaurs Love Underpants by Claire Freedman If I had a Dinosaur by Gabby Dawnay <p>Songs covered will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You're a dinosaur and you know it Dinosaurs (BBC Nursery Rhymes) 10 little dinosaurs Never Smile at a Crocodile 5 little snowflakes 5 little snowmen <p>Pupils will continue develop their writing skills. Working on keeping their handwriting on the line. We will continue name writing and words/ sentences containing the learned phonics sounds.</p> <p>The children will also begin to read some tricky words (see the table opposite). The children will be learning how to label and describe. They will read and write nonfiction linked to the topic of dinosaurs.</p> 	<p>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. 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. Your child will progress to a new phase when they can recognise all words by sight. In school, pupils have been introduced to Phase2 the beginning phase 3. Follow the links below on YouTube for some catchy songs:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Phase 2</th> <th>Phase 3</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>I</td> <td>he</td> </tr> <tr> <td>no</td> <td>she</td> </tr> <tr> <td>the</td> <td>we</td> </tr> <tr> <td>to</td> <td>me</td> </tr> <tr> <td>go</td> <td>be</td> </tr> <tr> <td>into</td> <td>you</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>are</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>her</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>was</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>all</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>they</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>my</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Epic Phonics: Phase 2/3 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TvMyssfAUx0</p> <p>Phase 3/4: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R087LYrRpgY</p>	Phase 2	Phase 3	I	he	no	she	the	we	to	me	go	be	into	you		are		her		was		all		they		my
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<p>Mathematics</p>	<p>During Maths, this half term, we will start by looking at compositions of the number 5 using 2 numbers then moving onto equal and unequal groups. From this we will look 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.</p>	<p>Shape Activities: Look for shapes in the home setting and when out in the local community. Encourage pupils to identify the shapes that they see. If you would like a paper set of shape cards then please ask your child's class teacher.</p>																										

	<p>Nursery Rhymes</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 	<p>Number Activities:</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>Children will learn about different types of dinosaurs. They will investigate herbivores, carnivores and omnivores and have an exciting dino egg experience! The children will then lead into learning about other reptiles and cold blooded animals that hatch from eggs. The children will be investigating fossils and make their own dino print fossil.</p>  <p>Children will also explore the season of Winter and look at the changes in the environment. They will look at celebrations such as New Year, Chinese New Year and Valentine's day. They will find out about where and how these are celebrated around the world.</p> 	<p>Children can research their favourite dinosaurs - their size, where they lived and what they eat. Andy's dinosaur adventures on BBC shows simple snap shots of dinosaur facts for the children to note.</p>  <p>Discuss what hatches from an egg as well as dinosaurs. This will lead on to Spring 2 topic of 'animals and their babies'.</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>Children will explore collage and sculpture and will learn how to use a range of techniques. They will develop the skills needed to create their own clay dinosaur.</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>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"> • London Bridge is falling down • Old Mother Hubbard • Polly Put the Kettle On • It's Raining It's Pouring • Five Little Monkeys 	<p>Use playdough to practise rolling, shaping and moulding their own creations.</p> <p>Listen and sing nursery rhymes together 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>