Reception Newsletter Summer 2023

Literacy

We are continuing to teach the children phonics using our new scheme Unlocking Letters and Sounds. We are currently on phase 4 looking at adjacent consonants, vowel digraphs and trigraphs. The children will have a daily 30-minute phonic session learning new phonemes and common exception words

We will be using our phonic knowledge to now write sentences with a focus on being able to re-read their own work and use capital letters and full stops correctly. The children will also have a guided reading session once a week with children who are reading at a similar level.

Maths

We continue to use the White Rose scheme for maths and the children will be looking at these topics this term To 20 and beyond – number patterns to 20, estimating, missing numbers, First, Then –adding one more, taking away, making new shapes, pattern blocks, Now, Find My pattern– doubling, sharing, odd and even, and On the move, making maps, patterns, games, obstacle course, designing mazes.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



We will be looking closely at our value of 'service' this term. In our PSHE lessons we will be learning about rights and respect, talking about special people, caring for our world and after half term 'Growing and Changing'; life stages, where do babies come from? Me and my body.

This term our topics are: Animal Safari & 'Creep, Crawl

and Wriggle'

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They are like trees that grow beside a stream that bear fruit at the right time and whose leaves do not dry up. They succeed in all they do. Psalm 1:3

Communication and Language

Through both classroom and circle time activities, we will continue to build on our ability to listen for extended periods of time, both in small groups and as a whole class. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.

Physical Development

We will have PE lessons on a Wednesday afternoon. Please ensure your child has a labelled PE kit in school. This term we will be doing the units Jumping and Walking. the focus if these units are to explore different ways of jumping, jumping safely, use spaces, walking using different body parts in different directions marching.

We will also continue to use Jump Start Jonny

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will follow the Charanga scheme of work for music to learn pulse and moving in time to music, they will listen to a variety of sounds. They will use a variety of small tools, including scissors and paint brushes and make simple prints. They will begin to show accuracy when drawing and learn what a landscape is.

RE/Understanding the World

This term we will be thinking about developing scientific knowledge through play activities sharing stories and non-fiction books. They will learn about people, culture and communities and the natural world.

In RE the children will be focusing on the question Why is the word 'God' so important to Christians? And after half term; What places are special and why? Which will cover many religions and special buildings. We will talk about our favourite stories then look at some of the special stories from the Bible which talk about making a difference to people.