Dear Parents, SPRING TERM

We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas break. We have lots of exciting activities planned this term. We also have some workshop presentations, focusing on subitising and Read Write Inc. Phonics this term.



Communication and Language, and Literacy

The children will continue to explore a love of stories and continue to spot letters and words when we read stories in class. Now that we are more confident with the letters sounds, we will have fun learning to develop our blending skills, putting sounds together to make simple words, using our Read Write Inc phonics programs to help support our learning. As the term progresses, we will begin to extend this into our independent writing activities. We will support the children in developing their language skills through our daily activities and whole class learning.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term our focus will be on our School values of include, believe and achieve.

We will be developing our skills of sharing and turn-taking and starting to understand that sometimes we need to compromise when working in a community.

We will be continuing to learn about the 'Zones of Regulation' and explore different emotions and feelings through out PSHE 'Jigsaw' scheme.

Home Learning



Seesaw: Home learning will be uploaded onto Seesaw on Monday and must be completed by Friday. I will also be uploading all of the Read Write Inc phonics videos onto Seesaw so you can see the sounds the children will be learning this week- feel free to re watch these videos with your children as the more confident they become with their blending of sounds, the better! I will be creating a home learning pack with useful resources to support your child with early reading, writing and maths at home.

Outdoor Learning

The children have access to both indoor and outdoor provision every day. Please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing and can dress themselves independently. (Putting on and zipping up coats) The children often change into their welly boots to go into the outdoor space if the weather is wet. Please ensure your child can put on their own shoes (Please check if your child has laces or buckles, that your child is able to do this independently, if not, please provide suitable shoes that your child can put on and remove independently, for example, Velcro straps). On Friday afternoons we visit the Nature Trail. Please ensure your child is wearing sensible clothing, such as leggings, trousers. (Party dresses, tights, dungarees are more difficult for the children to move freely in and can often be difficult to tuck into the waterproof trousers.

"There is no such thing as bad weather, just bad clothing"

Mathematical Development



We will be learning to:

- count numbers to 20
- count back from at least 10 to zero
- ordering numerals to at least 10
- subitizing and using 10s frames
- explore the composition of numbers to 10
- recognize 1p, 2p, 5p and 10p
- begin to solve 'real-life' problems
- begin to estimate quantities
- sort, name and describe 2D and 3Dshapes
- continue repeating patterns
- compare weights



Expressive Arts and Design

The areas we are exploring offer many opportunities for art and craft. The key areas we will be exploring are printing, painting and sewing on fabric, making a costume for our Mardi Gras 'Carnival' in March. (More information to follow at a later date)

We will be exploring music, creating our own tunes, keeping time with the beat and moving imaginatively to music. We will continue learning a range of rhymes to support our Literacy and Maths learning.



Understanding of the World

We will be providing regular opportunities for messy play and will continue to develop our outside learning.

The children will explore a variety of different religions this term. We will be looking at different celebrations from a variety of different religions. We will also be looking at different countries around the world and will be celebrating the different foods and celebrations. The children we be learning to take pictures and videos of their own learning and upload their learning to Seesaw.



Physical Development

This term the children's PE day will be on Friday with Mr. Dolman. Children will learn to: develop an awareness of space, follow instructions, move creatively, use small apparatus – balls, skipping ropes, bean bags, hoops, and cooperate with others.

We do hope the children will enjoy all the activities planned. There are many events coming up this term and a 'dates for your diary' letter will be sent out this week. I will be adding weekly short videos and clips onto Seesaw too!