

Curriculum Newsletter

Year R Term 4 2020/2021

Welcome back to school! It is wonderful to have the whole class back in class and learning together again. This term we will be consolidating all of the great learning that the children have done so far this year and working hard on our reading, writing and maths skills.

Readers and Writers

In phonics, we will be moving onto Phase 3 and learning how to read and write using digraphs (two letters, one sound).



We will learn how to recognise new tricky and high frequency words by sight.

We will be learning upper-case and lower-case letter formations and matching letter names to sounds. We will begin to write simple sentences using capital letters and full stops.

Aa	Bb	Cc	Dd	Ee	Ff	Gg
Hh	Ii	Jj	Kk	Ll	Mm	Nn
Oo	Pp	Qq	Rr	Ss	Tt	Uu
Vv	Ww	Xx	Yy	Zz		

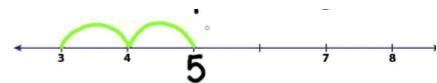
We will be looking at the differences between fiction and non-fiction books.

We will become 'authors' and tell and act out our own stories in Story Square sessions.

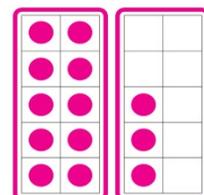
Mathematicians

In maths, we will be practising addition and subtraction to 10 and learning how to share a number of objects fairly.

We will begin to use number lines and the language of more and less to explain our mathematical thinking.



We will use Numicon and 10 frames to begin to recognise and count numbers from 10 to 20.



Scientists, Geographers and Historians

As part of our "I am a Scientist" curriculum, we will be learning about simple forces and motion (push and pull) as we explore how things work and move.



We will explore how we use our senses and learn new vocabulary to talk about what we taste, feel, hear, see and smell.

Physical Development

Our topic this term is 'Healthy Me' and we will begin to understand how basic hygiene, exercise, healthy food and a good night's sleep help us to stay fit and healthy.



Personal Social and Emotional Development

We will be learning how to work as a team, sharing, being kind, taking turns and helping each other.

We will take turns to be Super Dojo helpers, with responsibility for a range of jobs around the classroom.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be exploring how to design and join materials to make things using box modelling, bricks and other materials in our construction role play areas.



Homework



Children make better progress in school when they practise every day at home. Please make sure that your child reads with you and practises their sounds and tricky words. They also need to bring their book bags with them to school every day so that they have their books in school for reading group work.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Munro