

Reception Curriculum Newsletter – Summer 1



Literacy

As readers we will be learning to blend sounds together to read words in our reading books. We will continue to read a range of books at story time. We will be using role play resources to help us retell stories.

As writers we will be continuing to practise forming letters correctly and using our phonic knowledge to spell simple words. We will be attempting to write lists, instructions and simple sentences independently.

The World

We will continue to enjoy outdoor Forest School activities and become more aware of our surroundings.

We will be learning about a range of contrasting environments and name some specific features of our natural world.

We will have opportunities to discuss how we care for the natural world around us.

We will also be using our “green fingers” to create a garden area.

Julia Donaldson

This half term we have chosen to enjoy stories written by the popular children’s author Julia Donaldson.

We will use her stories to develop our learning in the 7 areas of the Early Years Curriculum

PSHE

We are learning to respect others, and to share our classroom toys and resources.

We will continue to have our Wellbeing Wednesdays whereby we will be voting for a fun activity.

We will be talking about healthy food and growing our own herbs and vegetables.



Physical

We are learning to develop our games skills such as throwing, catching and fielding in mini games of cricket.

We will continue to practise basic movement skills including: hopping, skipping, jumping, balancing, and more disciplined skills in gymnastics.

We will be improving our fine motor skills through Funky Fingers activities to enable us to hold a pencil and we are concentrating on using a pair of scissors effectively.

We will continue to practise forming letters correctly.

Maths

As mathematicians we will be recognising numbers to 20 and put them in order to make a number line. We will also be looking at the composition of numbers to 10. We will also be using the language more, fewer, less to compare amounts. The concept of time will be introduced through parts of the day. Money will be introduced in role play areas and we will be adding amounts together to buy items from the shop. We will also continue to explore 2D and 3D shape and look at their characteristics.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will investigate mixing colours, using different textures and techniques to create effects in our art work.

We will design and make our own models using different construction kits and junk materials.

We will be using natural objects and noticing features in the natural world to create art work.

We will be listening to a variety of music.