

Reception Summer 1 Newsletter



Communication and Language

The children have worked really well on their listening skills and they are confident speaking in front of the class and telling them about their news. We will continue speaking and listening this half term but are also going to be supporting the children in asking questions to each other.

Literacy

This half term is going to focus around the story 'Handa's Surprise.' We will be looking at writing sentences to describe the characters in the story, choosing our own animals and fruits to retell the story and then looking at non-fiction books about Africa and wild animals.



RE

In RE we will be looking at Jesus appearing to his friends before leaving to be with God. The children will be completing lots of role play and discussions.

Physical Development

The children will complete 2 sessions a week one with Mr Fenton and the other with Mrs Jennings. One of the sessions will focus on the children's gross motor skills and help them to develop their fine motor skills. The other session will focus on Athletics.

Understanding the World

Our topic work is mainly focused around our book 'Handa's Surprise.' We are going to be looking at the country of Africa and the weather differences.

We will look at comparing wild animals, farm animals and pets. We will be describing different animals.

We will also be following the children's interests and finding out about what they are curious about.



Phonics

The children have done fantastic with the new sounds learned last half term and are applying these in their writing. Children are also reading cvvc/ccvc words fluently and their comprehension skills are growing. We will continue to embed phonics daily but will be pushing children more with their writing and working on them being confident writers.

Numeracy

We will continue to work on ordering, adding, subtracting, doubling and halving numbers to 20. In measurement we are going to be using scales for heavier and lighter and also begin to use clocks to read o'clock times.

Expressive Art and Design

The children are being encouraged to use different materials to create representations. Look out for the fabulous models they may create! The children will continue to have Mrs Doodson for singing and music.

Homework/Reading books

Your child will continue to bring home a reading book each week. Please hand these in on a Wednesday and we will send a new one home on Friday. We will also send phonics and maths homework when necessary. We always welcome any work the children have completed at home and look forward to seeing photographs and messages on Tapestry.

**Class Trip
Blackpool Zoo
8.5.19
Please ensure you arrive
at school on time.
Thank you**