



Meet the Early Years Team:

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Our topic this term: **Heroes**
People who help us and Superheroes!



Our Curriculum

Numbers, Shape, Space and Measure

Sing number rhymes and counting songs.

Children count reliably with numbers from 1 to 10

Recognise numerals 1 to 10.

Counts out up to 10 objects from a larger group.

Count actions or objects which cannot be moved.

Selects the correct numeral to represent 1 to 10 objects. Counts objects to 10.

Counts an irregular arrangement of up to 10 objects.

Practise writing numbers.

Explore simple number / maths-related puzzles

Children use everyday language to talk about size, weight and capacity to compare quantities and objects and to solve problems.

Orders two or three items by length or height.

Orders two items by weight or capacity

Communication, Language, Literacy

Learn all letters of the alphabet – practise recognising and writing them.

Learn to recognise phase 3 digraphs eg ai, ee, ow

Explore blending for reading and segmenting for spelling words like 'cat'.

Read books with an adult and in small groups and learn to recognise some tricky words (like 'the') on sight.

Continue to practise our name recognition and writing.

Develop language and vocabulary by joining 'Circle Time' activities and exploring our new topics together.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

Explore the changing season and find out about festivals and traditions, including Chinese New Year.

Exploring technology through the use of the interactive whiteboard, torches, remote control cars and walkie talkies.

Discussing technology in everyday use linked to people who help us.

Expressive Arts and Design

Explore colour mixing and materials and textures.

Physical Development

Practise fine and gross motor skills.

Personal, Social and Emotional development

Continue to develop relationships with each other.

Going for goals.

Practise turn-taking, negotiating, speaking & listening.

Happy New Year. We hope you all enjoyed the holiday.

Reading Each week, children will bring home a Jolly Book (library book) and a Home Reading book.

Jolly Books are chosen by the children, so the text level may vary. These books are to share with the family and enjoy: your child is not expected to be able to read it themselves.

The Home Reading book is to focus on comprehension and child-led reading skills. Please add a comment in the home reading book when you have read with your child. **Every child needs to bring their book bag to school every day.**

Please ensure your child has a bag or school book bag. Thank you. We ask that you continue to support children's enjoyment of books and early reading skills by spending some quiet time during the week reading with your child.

Home learning

At different points during this term, your child will be given some tasks to complete. These will include: 'Jolly Phonics' prompts, high frequency words and creative ideas.

Important dates

Phonics Stay and Play 24th Jan - there will be an opportunity for you to develop their understanding of phonics and to play a variety of different phonics activities with your child and take some ideas home with you.

Chinese New Year 5th Feb **Superhero Day 15th Feb**

PE Please send a PE kit to be kept at school for the half term for all nursery pupils as well as reception pupils. **Please make sure all uniform and PE kits have names written in.** Thank you.

How can you help your child?

- Bring book bags and reading records into school every day.
- Talk to your child about their school day.
- Read with your child and develop their ability to recognise words on sight eg I, to, the, he, she, we, me, be, no, go,
- Support your child's learning by getting to school on time to drop them off and collect them. Our academy day starts at 8.50am. Thank you.

Resources We enjoy creative activities!! Please send in any kitchen roll tubes, washed bottle tops, shoes boxes, etc. Thank you.

Class Fund If you are able, please send 50p in each Monday towards additional resources - for baking, creative tasks, etc. Thank you.