

Literacy: We will be continuing our phonic learning this term, starting to segment, blend and write CVC and CVCC words. We are using the story Zog to learn about rhyming and are beginning to think of our own. We are also going to be creating our own dragons and castles and thinking of words to describe these. We will begin thinking about the difference between fiction and non-fiction books.

Maths: We will be continuing counting, comparing, recognising and writing numbers to 20. We will look at different ways of adding and subtracting and finding more and less than a given number. We will be looking at the shapes to help us create castle pictures. We are continuing to practise the formation of our numbers and making sure that they are the right way around.

Physical development:

We will be starting some gymnastics. We will be creating our own balances and travelling routines based on our favourite animals.

Personal, social and emotional development:

We will be focusing on why we are special and unique. We are looking at reasons that we are different to our friends and family and why that is important and special.



Expressive arts and design:

This term we are using our bodies to create percussion, singing and playing instruments to accompany stories and other pieces of music. We are aiming to create a piece of music that represents a dragon.

We are going to be using collage to create a class picture of a dragon, based on Zog. We are also hoping to create our very own Rainbow Class castle that we can use to play in. We will design, create and decorate it.

Understanding the World:

This term we will be thinking about festivals that happen at this time of year. We are thinking about New Year, Chinese New Year and Holi. We are looking forward to learning all about festivals that different cultures celebrate.

Through our weekly welly walks we will be looking at maths in the outdoor environment. We will also be looking at the changes in season and what this means in the outdoors. We would love to see any photos that you have taken on walks in the countryside as the season changes.

We are creating pictures on the iPads and learning how to use the different tools. We are looking forward to creating some lovely pictures!

 **Term 3 in Rainbow Class!** 

Welcome back and Happy New Year! The children have all settled back in brilliantly and are keen to get started with our learning. Our topic this term is 'Castles and Dragons'. The children are really enjoying it so far. Welly walks will be on a Friday afternoon and children will need to bring in a named bag of old clothes on a Friday morning to change into. Thank you 😊

Mrs Elson

	Activity	We will need....
Monday	Book change day	Please make sure your book bag is in school.
	PE	PE kit in school – please include a warm jumper/trousers for outside sessions and either daps or trainers for all sessions.
Tuesday		
Wednesday	PE	PE kit in school – please include a warm jumper/trousers for outside sessions and either daps or trainers for all sessions.
Thursday	Mrs Kelsey teaching in the afternoon.	
Friday	Show and Tell	Please see rota.
	Welly Walk	Welly walk – please bring in a bag of old clothes each week. We will go out in all weathers.

Things to remember...

- Please ensure your child's book bag is in school every day. The children will be heard read individually throughout the week. Books will be changed on a Monday.
- Humpty Dumpty word walls will continue to come home. Please make sure these are in your child's book bag every day as we check them weekly.
- Please make sure PE kits and water bottles are in school every day.
- Children also need to be wearing coats at playtimes and lunchtimes so please make sure these are named and in school every day.