

**What we are
learning about this term.**

Year R

Summer 2017



Literacy

During this term in Literacy we will be learning to:

Reading

- Read a range of fiction and non-fiction books about Minibeasts and The Seaside including:
 - * What the Ladybird Heard,
 - * Arghh! Spider,
 - * The Bog Baby,
 - * The Hungry Caterpillar
 - * Billy's Bucket,
 - * The Rainbow Fish and
 - * Sharing a Shell.
- Discuss the characters and settings in the stories we read.
- Make predictions about what will happen in a story.
- Recognise the features of non-fiction texts such as the contents page and index.
- Continue to read the phase words and the Reception 'Zero Tolerance' words.
- Read words by sounding them out.
- Read the phase words and practise the words in our home-school words books.

Writing

- Write our first and second names.
- Write simple sentences using a capital letter at the beginning, finger spaces and full stops.
- Retell the stories we have read.
- Write a list.
- Write a recount about things we have done.
- Write simple letters.
- Do some non-fiction writing about minibeasts and the seaside.
- Spell the Reception 'Zero Tolerance' words.

Communication and Language

- Learn simple vocabulary related to our topic.
- Listen to and follow simple instructions.
- Continue to form good relationships with adults and peers.
- Talk with confidence in a small group.

Mathematics

During this term in Mathematics we will be learning to:

- Sing number rhymes and songs.
- Count forwards and backwards from 0 - 20.
- Count in 2's, 5's and 10's.
- Write numbers from 0 to 10.
- Find the numbers 1 more and 1 less than a given number.
- Learn the number bonds for numbers up to 10.
- Subtract by taking objects away.
- Add two numbers together by counting on to find a total.
- Learn about doubling and halving.
- Make estimations and check by counting.
- Find different ways to solve a problem

Reading Books

Please remember to read with your child every night and practice their 'Phase words' alongside the 'Home-School Word' books. To ensure your child receives a new reading book please sign the reading record and return to school each day. Thank you.

Our author this half term is Julia Donaldson. He has written stories and poems such as 'The Gruffalo.'

Read Together Morning

Our 'Read Together Morning' is every Friday from 8.45am until 9.00am. Come and share a book with your child!

Our topics this term will be:

Minibeasts

Here are some of the things we will do:

- Go on a minibeast hunt in the garden.
- Paint different minibeasts and make them out of playdough.
- Use the digital camera to take pictures of the minibeasts we find.
- Research different minibeasts and talk about the things we have found out.
- Control the programmable toys to move in different directions.



The Seaside

Here are some of the things we will do:

- Learn about different creatures that live under the sea.
- Make an under the sea collage.
- Investigate objects that float and sink.
- Talk about holidays that we have been on.
- Talk about the things we need to take with us on holiday.
- Learn about sun safety.
- Look at the different types of transport we can use to take us on our holidays.
- Use the clay to make a creature that lives under the sea.
- Investigate the patterns of sea shells using the magnifying glasses.



PE Kits

Our PE day is Wednesday for RD and RKD and Friday for RS. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school and encourage your child to get dressed and undressed on their own.