Year R Curriculum Letter— Spring 1

We hope you have a lovely festive break. We are so proud of the children for their fantastic first term and can't wait for more adventures in the new year! The children are not only flourishing within their own interests but also being confident at trying new things and exploring new ideas.



Mrs Workman, Miss Stevenson & Miss Harvey

Weekly timetable

<u>Early Years Areas of Learning:</u> Literacy - Reading and Writing, Maths, Knowledge of the World, Expressive Arts and Design, Physical Development, PSED & Communication and Language.

Monday

Music with Mrs Thompsett

Library visit

Tuesday

Nature Zone

Outside PE

Wednesday

Inside PE

Thursday

Bikes and Trikes Time

<u>Friday</u>

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Useful Yr R Web links

Phonics:

littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk

Reading:

ops.collinsopenpage.com/sso

Maths:

whiterosemaths.com

https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b08bzfnh/numberblocks

Tapestry—Please log in regularly & look at next week's learning over the weekend.

Key dates

Tues 3rd Jan - Start of the spring term

Mon 16th Jan - Year R Open Doors 2.50pm

Fri 27th Jan - INSET day

Mon 30th Jan - INSET day

Mon 13th - Fri 17th Feb - HALF TERM



Please remember to send your child's reading book back to school every Monday!

Outdoor education

Please send your child in appropriate school clothing for learning outdoors (whatever the weather!) on the following days: **Tuesday and Wednesday**

However we go out to play in the Year R garden every day—please bring a coat if rain has been forecast - If you would like to send wellies in the children can store them in their lock-er—please bring them in a named carrier bag.

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Literacy—Writing

 This term we will be continuing to practice our letter formation so that we can continue to try apply our phonic knowledge when writing labels and lists.

We will also be practicing writing our names, putting a capital letter only at the beginning.







Phonics

With 'Little Wandle' Phonics children will:

- We will revisit previous graphemes as well as new digraphs such as /ai/ee/igh/ow/oo/.
- We will practice all of our tricky words such as/the/she/of/has/I/is/go

Understanding the World

- We will also be looking at the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around us.
- We will be talking about what we can see and hear outside.
- We will look at our country in comparison to other countries.

PSED

- We will be talking about our school value,
 'Nurture' and what this means to them.
- We will look for examples of children demonstrating nurture in Discovery Time.

Literacy— Reading

The children will continue their Little Wandle book reading adventures - look in book bags for a book matched to their reading ability!

We will share stories that help us to learn about rhyme, alliteration and practicing to retell.





Maths

- Maths will be taught through sensory play, songs, games, activities and whole class learning. We will continue using NCTEM Numberblocks series and White Rose maths to develop our journey of understanding numbers to 10
- We will be looking at comparing numbers to 5 (including 0), looking at the composition of numbers and looking more deeply into numbers 6,7,8.

Expressive Art and Design

- Music sessions with Mrs Thompsett playing instruments that represent cold and winter sound effects!
- We will be exploring colour mixing with painting and introducing strengthening into our junk modelling by using straws, paper and card.

PE and PD

Using 'Real PE' the children will be working on :

- Cognitive Skills
- Movement Skills: Dynamic balance and co-ordination.

We will also be using the bikes and trikes following on from our Bikeability to increase the children's confidence and core stability.

