



Curriculum Newsletter for Reception Summer 2 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the second summer term of 2022. We would like to share our curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

PE day will resume on Wednesdays please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them, navy or black shorts or jogging bottoms, white t-shirt and black plimsolls.

Homework and reading books go out Thursday and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on the following Tuesday. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time.

Our Topic for this half term is 'Minibeasts.'

Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In **Writing**, we will be focusing on writing sentences independently. In **Phonics**, we will be continuing to practise reading and writing words with 4 sounds and longer words we need to chunk. We will be learning Phase 4 tricky words such as “so “and “little”. In **Reading**, We will we focus on stories that provoke thought and questions and test our inference skills. We will be focus on independent sentence reading skills.

Nursery will continue learning the Phase 3 letter sounds and blending them together to read CVC words.

In Personal, Social and Emotional Education

We will talk about transition and moving on to new classes. We will be sharing our memories from this year, and talking about any worries we have about our new classes.

In **Physical Development** we will be practising different skills in preparation for Sports day. We will practise speed, accuracy and agility events. We will be continuing to use equipment independently and safely.

In **Maths**, we will be focusing on consolidating our number skills, and using adding and subtracting to solve problems. We will be using our knowledge of sharing, doubling and halving to work out solutions.

We will be comparing quantity, amounts and weight, and using vocabulary such as more heavy, lighter, longer and bigger.

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Expressive Arts and Design

We will be using natural materials to make pictures and collages based on the garden and the minibeasts in it.

We will be composing music related to minibeasts, using the book “The Very Hungry Caterpillar” as the basis of our own compositions, choosing instruments carefully and thinking about dynamics, pitch and tempo to suit our

In **Jewish Studies**, we will be reading story books linked to the weekly Torah portion. We will continue learning songs in Hebrew. We will be continuing to join the rest of the school for Shabbat assembly on Friday and learning songs for shacharit: morning prayers.

In Understanding and Knowledge of the World

we will be focussing on extending our curiosity and asking difficult questions. We will be taking care of our vegetable plants that are growing. We will explore the insects hatching all over our garden. We will be getting some stick insects for the classroom and will be looking at how to take care of them properly.

In **Communication and Language** we will be encouraging children to talk about their memories of the year so far, what they are looking forward to over the summer and in the coming year.

We will be reading books and observing things that encourage us to think and talk a lot. We will be absorbing new vocabulary.