

Summer 2024 – Curriculum News

April 2024

We hope you had a fantastic spring break and the children managed to get some well-deserved rest, whilst eating chocolate! We look forward to the Summer Term with another exciting theme ‘From a little seed’. Our key texts this term will support our learning about minibeasts and their life cycles, growing plants and vegetables in our outside area and talking about healthy eating. We will introduce children to different genres such as non-fiction texts and poetry. The children will continue to take part in a range of engaging cross-curricular activities to enhance their understanding of this theme. This term we will also be going on a school trip and we are looking forward to sharing details with you soon.

PE

PE will continue to be on a Tuesday and will be led by our PE specialist Mr Newson. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed in a full PE kit including appropriate footwear. Our PE session will be outside so please ensure your child has suitable clothing. Long hair must be tied up and earrings need to be removed for safety reasons. If a child comes in wearing earrings they will not be allowed to take part.



Reading

We will continue to read with your child three times a week through guided group reading. Please ensure your child has their reading log and book in school every Monday as this is when we will collect in books and then send them home again on a Thursday. Don't forget to record in the reading log every time you hear your child read. To become a 'Reading Champion' your child must read at least three times at home.

Tricky Words

Please use the tricky word sheet which has been uploaded to Showbie to practise reading and writing 'tricky' words. We will be learning some new 'tricky' words this term.



Outdoor Learning

During the afternoon children will continue to take part in our 'Discover and do' sessions. As the weather turns warmer please ensure your child has a longlasting sunscreen applied each day and brings in a sunhat.



Maths

Within our daily Maths sessions our teaching will be based around the Early Learning Goals for number and numerical patterns. We will be teaching, doubling, halving and problem solving alongside continuing with addition and subtraction. We will be exploring number lines and how we can use these as a tool for addition and subtraction. Your child will develop their language to describe 3D shapes and continue to develop an understanding of measuring.



Literacy

This term we will be focusing on the Early Learning Goals for literacy. We will be practising writing sentences regularly but most importantly building children's independence in doing this. Sentences will include using irregular (tricky) words such as 'said' and 'like'. In phonics we have moved on to Phase 4 of our Phonics scheme where we will be embedding our Phonics skills. We will be focusing on developing children's stamina for writing and offering opportunities for story writing.



Rainbow Challenges

Create a small world garden using some of your favourite toys.

Plant a seed or bean and keep a daily diary drawing pictures and writing labels / sentences.

Build a bug house/hotel outside.

Become an artist and create a 3D minibeast



Reception Staff

Australia Class

Mrs Norman
Teacher
M & Tu
Mrs Woolford
Class teacher W,Th,F

Brazil Class

Miss Ogg
Class teacher/Reception Lead

Chile Class

Mrs Brill
Class teacher M, Tu,
Mrs Laflin
Class teacher W,Th,F

Early Years Practitioners

Mrs Whelan, Mrs Langston,
Mrs Payne, Mrs Taylor-Brown
and Mrs Harden

Recommended Read

Tiny Perfect Things

By M. H. Clark

