

Foundation Stage Curriculum Outline

'On Our Doorstep!' Summer Term (1) 2023

Communication & Language/Literacy (CLL)



As part of our 'On Our Doorstep!' topic, we will be focusing primarily on non-fiction texts and creating information books of our own. In phonics, we will be focusing on blending and segmenting words orally, and in writing, as well as reading longer words and some new tricky words. We will also continue to think about our handwriting and how to form letters correctly. We will have many opportunities to talk and express ourselves verbally, thinking about speaking clearly and using the new vocabulary that we have learned from the texts that we have shared together. We will also work on asking and answering more complex questions using 'how' and 'why'.

Mathematics

In Mathematics we will be revising our skills of addition and subtraction, recording our calculations in a variety of ways. We will revise the number bonds for 10 as well as looking for other patterns amongst numbers that will help with our mental calculations. We will also investigate sharing a number of items fairly, as well as looking at doubling and halving, as we extend our number knowledge from 0 to 20. There will be a focus on mathematical reasoning and being able to explain **how** we found an answer and **why** it is (or isn't!) correct.



Understanding the World (UW)

We will be looking closely at our local area and identifying all of the different places that make up our neighbourhood. We will go on a village walk to identify significant places around us such as the church, post office and village hall. We will also be welcoming a selection of visitors to school to talk about how they help our community. This will hopefully include police officers & fire fighters. The children will have opportunities to practise their 'how' and 'why' questions during these visits.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED/Jigsaw)

This term we will be focusing on the theme of 'Relationships'. We will be focusing on the people around us at school and how we can be the best of friends to each other. There will be a chance to think about how to resolve conflicts if things do go wrong as well as how to help ourselves if we are feeling hurt or upset. We will also think about how we can show respect to those around us, both adults and children.

Physical Development and P.E

P.E will now be taught on a **Monday** and will be inside. This half term, the children will be working on the theme of dance, creating short sequences individually and in a group. There will also be a range of activities on offer each day to develop gross motor skills (e.g. large building blocks, obstacle courses) and fine motor skills (e.g. cutting, Lego).



**It essential that your child comes to school in their P.E. kit on a MONDAY.
PLEASE ensure that all items are named!**

Religious Education (R.E.)

In R.E. our new theme will be 'Story Time' and we will be focusing on what we can learn from stories. These stories will come from a range of religions including Hinduism, Islam, Christianity and Sikhism. We will visit the local church to find out about the role that it plays in the community for events such as christenings and weddings. There will be opportunities for Collective Worship and choral worship in the hall led by Mr Hodgson and other familiar adults.



Expressive Arts & Design (EAD)



There will be many opportunities for painting, drawing, model making and role-play throughout this term! We will be creating posters, collages, models and paintings as well as appreciating the work of artist David Hockney. Our role play areas will be a school (inside) and a farm shop (outside). Each week we will take part in a music lesson where we will explore our voices and play a selection of musical instruments.

We will continue to send home reading books and phonics activities for you to share with your child. Please spend a few moments each day looking at them. Little and often makes all of the difference to your child's learning! New reading books will be sent home each Monday. Please don't forget to record the reading in the reading diary. Thank you for your help and support during Term Four. This term is always enjoyable due to the warmer weather and the chance to spend plenty of time outside!

Mrs Moseley, Mrs Mansfield and Mrs Berry April 2023

