

Literacy



In Literacy this half-term, our focus book will be: The Book of Beasts by E. Nesbit.

We will start by identifying the features of this story, but very soon the children will get a special surprise from 'King Lionel' from the story. A creature is set to escape from the book and the children will need to work together to get it back in the book, setting traps, writing missing posters and writing instructions and potions too. It is a very exciting book that we will really bring to life. Your children will be sure to come home excited to tell you what happens at each stage of the way. At the end of the term we will be writing Spring Poems.

Suggestions of ways you can support your child's English:

You can find this story on you tube to share with your child, so that they become more familiar with it.

Prime Areas



Communication and Language – Speaking and listening is worked on all of the time in all lessons and through activity times.

Physical Development – PE lessons continue (every Monday) – children are working on learning basic safety and behaviour skills in PE lessons, alongside developing simple skills, e.g., throwing and catching balls.

Personal Social and Emotional Development – We will be continuing to focus on learning about how our brain works in order to help us regulate our behaviour. This term we will be focusing on developing the useful habits: accepting that no means no, learning to share, doing what you have to do (whether you like it or not). We will also be starting to look at what we can do to look after our bodies and our minds.

Reception Learning Overview Spring 2



Trips and Experiences SAVE THE DATE!

- Monday 23rd February - Chinese New Year Workshop
- Wednesday 25th February - Dentist Workshop
- Thursday 5th March – World Book Day
- Wb 9th March – Science Week
- Wednesday 11th March Kennington Park Trip
- Friday 20th March – Parents Consultation

Extra Information

Please remember to hear your child read four times each week and record this each time in their reading record books. At the start and end of the half term, we will send home a questionnaire about your child's development. Please complete this and return it to school after half term.

Maths



In Maths this half-term, we will start by looking at odd and even numbers. This will move us on to looking at patterns and then, later in the term, we will be learning how to share amounts fairly. Throughout the term we will spend time practising the formation of numbers, as well as remembering number bond facts of 5 and doubling facts to 5.

Suggestions of ways you can support your child's Maths: Use your child's number book to support them with their learning. We will still be sticking in information about what we are learning each week for you to go through and work on with your child. This will mostly be in a practical way, where you will be able to use any objects or food that you find in the home to work on these mathematical concepts.

Understanding the World



Our topic for this half-term is 'Mythical Creatures'. We will be asking the children what they know and what they want to know about Mythical creatures. This will link very closely with our Literacy text. Children often make their own mythical creatures, find out where they may live, explore how they are adapted to where they live. It will really depend on the children's curiosities. We will also learn about St. Patrick's day, Ramadan and later in the term we will learn about Spring time and what happens at Easter.

Phonics



Please check your child's sound book for new sounds and practise them with your child regularly. If you look at the back of the book there are tricky words too.