

EYFS Curriculum Newsletter



Term - Spring 1 2022



Learning Themes

This term, we intend to share and explore a range of fiction and non-fiction books to help support and develop the children's understanding of natural occurring events and annual celebrations. So far, we have enjoyed exploring the book 'The Gruffalo's Child' and, like the main character, we went on our own winter's walk in search of signs of winter and, of course, the Big Bad Mouse. During the coming weeks, we plan to take part in the Big Schools' Bird Watch, World Religion Day and Chinese New Year celebrations. We will finish the term exploring St Valentine's Day and learning how this is a special time to show appreciation to the people who are special to us.

Physical Development

During this term, the children will take part in weekly PE sessions based on a circus theme. They will be encouraged to develop a range of fundamental skills linked to various circus performers and their roles.



We will also focus on developing the children's fine motor skills during weekly finger gym challenges and daily dough disco exercises.

We will continue to focus on encouraging independence with self-care, such as putting on own coats, cardigans/jumpers and footwear.

Communication and Language

This term, we will focus on developing the children's understanding of and responses to a range of story-related questions.



RE

Our topic this term is 'Celebrating'. The children will explore and learn about the importance of coming together to share experiences and to celebrate significant events.

We also plan to visit St Joseph's Church so the children can experience coming together to worship in God's special place.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term, we are focusing on supporting the children to develop their sharing and negotiating skills. The children will take part in various role play scenarios and paired tasks where they will be encouraged to consider the needs and wishes of others.



The children will also take part in weekly sessions relating to the theme Dreams and Goals, as part of our whole-school PSHE Jigsaw programme.

Homework

Each half term, your child will be given a 'Topic Challenge Menu' with a range of suggested tasks linked to their topic in school. Children should aim to gain 20 points.

A clear water bottles should be sent in each day clearly labelled with your child's name.

Please ensure your child has a spare set of clothing in school and a pair of wellies.

We also kindly ask for a weekly 50p contribution to help towards the cost of our baking and creative experiences.