



# Foundation Stage Flyer



## *Personal Social Development*

We are going to have lots of new faces in our unit so we will be doing lots of activities to help get to know the new Seahorses. We will be kind and helpful to our new friends and help them to feel happy and safe when they come to school.

We are going to learn to share our thoughts and ideas with our friends and teachers during circle time and paired talk. We are also going to develop our listening skills so that we become even better listeners.

## *Knowledge and Understanding of the world*



We are going to be finding about lots of different things this half term including Winter, Chinese New Year and Burns Night.

In ICT this half term we will be recording our voices and other sounds using digital recorders and computer microphones. We will be exploring how to play back sounds and use other related functions of music players. It would be really helpful if at home you could explore different buttons on phones, music players and on the computer that allow playback, recording, fast forwarding and pausing.

Try out web based games involving sounds: [http://www.lancsngfl.ac.uk/curriculum/literacy/lit\\_site/html/earlyyears/soundgames/soundgames.htm](http://www.lancsngfl.ac.uk/curriculum/literacy/lit_site/html/earlyyears/soundgames/soundgames.htm).

You may even want to show the children phone apps that allow voice recording and changing such as 'Talking Tom 2' The Music section in NORTLE's resources is also a place you may like the children to experiment!

## *Physical Development*

It's winter once again! That means we need to make sure we bring the correct clothing to school to keep us extra warm when we play in our outdoor area (hats, scarf and gloves are needed, as well as a change of clothes).

We will continue to do P.E one morning a week in our school hall, when we will be learning to move in different ways to different kinds of music. Later in the month we shall be learning some Scottish dancing for 'Burns Night'.

## *Communication, Literacy and Language Development*

This half term we will be sharing and looking at different kinds of books, from story books to books that give us information. The Seahorses will be doing lots of activities which involve speaking and listening and mark making.

The Turtles will be playing lots of different games to practise all of the phonic sounds that they have been learning, as well as beginning to learn lots of 'tricky' words. They have been given a red 'tricky' word book with all of their new words in so they can practise reading, spelling and writing these at home. They will be practising letter formation and using their phonic knowledge to write sounds and simple words. Come and have a look at 'Our Writing Wall!'

## *Problem Solving, Numeracy and Reasoning*



The Seahorses will be learning some new number songs as well as teaching the new Seahorses some of their favourite songs. They will practise their counting up to 5 and beyond by playing lots of fun games.

The Turtles will be practising their counting up to 10 and will become confident in counting to 20. They will also be doing lots of counting backwards. They will be learning to add and take away in practical situations as well as practise forming their numbers and matching correct amounts with numerals.

## *Creative Development*

This half term we are going to be doing lots of creative activities using paint and different materials for college. We shall be painting lots of Arctic animals to put on our display in our quiet area.

When we celebrate Chinese New Year we will be making and tasting Chinese food. In music we will be listening to pieces of music from different parts of the world and continuing to make sounds using all sorts of instruments.



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## Flyer *Physical Development*

We will do P.E one morning per week either in the school hall or outside. Seahorses only take off socks and shoes so no need for PE kits, The Turtles need a PE kit (white t shirt and black or blue shorts) in school everyday.

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We love being outside and try to be out everyday so appropriate clothing is essential. Please ensure that your child has a coat left at school everyday.