

Foundation Stage Flyer



Understanding the World

This half term we are going to be finding out all about Winter. We will learning about animals that live in cold places such as polar bears and penguins. We will also be investigating what happens to water when it freezes. Towards the end of half term we are going to be looking at traditions from Scotland and China. We enjoyed reading 'The Gruffalo' so much that we are going to be reading more of Julia Donaldson's stories throughout the term.



Physical development

As the weather is still cold we will be continuing to do PE once a week in the hall. We are getting even better at finding our own space and moving around safely. We are going to be moving and dancing to lots of different kinds of music.

As the weather gets colder the children need appropriate clothing to keep them warm during outdoor play.

Personal, Social and Emotional development

Our special friends 'The Quirks' are going to help us talk about how we can stay safe. In lots of different situations—at school, at home and outside.



New Seahorses...

We have welcomed our new Seahorses into school this week. We have been helping them to settle in by showing them our routines and being kind friends.

Communication and Language development

This half term we are going to be doing lots of speaking and listening in small group time. We will be developing our skills so that we have the confidence to speak aloud in front of our friends. We will continue to practice our listening skills so that we become even better at listening to and answering questions. We really enjoy story time and shall be reading even more stories and talking about the different parts of a book—the front cover, the pictures, the characters and the setting. We shall be sharing our favourite stories and be talking about why we enjoy them.



At home you could...

- Continue to contribute to the children's 'Home School Diaries' by commenting on things that your child has been doing at home. So far the children have thoroughly enjoyed sharing them with the rest of the class.
- Share as many stories as you can with your child, it's a great way for children to become familiar with books and promote reading as an enjoyable activity
- Share some nursery rhymes such as Twinkle Twinkle, Humpty Dumpty, Hickory Dickory Dock and Baa Baa Blacksheep. Counting songs such as '5 green bottles' are an excellent way for children to practise their counting up to 10.
- Encourage your child to become more independent by helping them practise to put on their own coats, hats, gloves and scarf's.
- Try this website for some fantastic counting games—<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/Interactive.aspx?cat=1>

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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.

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.

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