

Foundation Stage Topic Web Newsletter

Class/Year: ___Nursery_____

Term: ___Summer 1_____



Introduction to topic/theme:

This half term we will be looking at the topic 'Humpty and Friends'. We will sing a range of different nursery rhymes and look closely at the language and characters in the story. We will explore topics such as the farm, space and transport whilst singing our favourite nursery rhymes.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Begin to understand how to care for living things and our environment.
- Learning about growth mindsets and the importance of never giving up.
- Developing their sense of responsibility and membership in our classroom by designating jobs around the classroom.

Physical Development

- This half term we will practise putting on our own coats and having a go at doing the zip.
- Creating obstacle courses in the outdoor area to exploring different ways of moving.
- Practising letter formation through Read Write Inc. phonic sessions.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Creating our own junk model musical instruments to use in the music area.
- Making celebration cards for the upcoming celebrations.
- Using fine paint brushes to make accurate lines when painting.
- Taking on the role of a character from our current nursery rhyme and acting these out with peers.

Homework

Please note that we will be providing children with homework tasks to complete each week in their homework book that school will provide. This must be returned on a **Thursday**. This will be reflective of what the children are learning in class.

Topic/Theme

Humpty and Friends



Communication, Language & Literacy

The children will be introduced to a range of reading material to fuel their interest in reading. We will be reading the stories below in class to help our learning of different topics. We will also be focusing on listening for and saying initial sounds in words. Children will have a go at early reading, reading pictures, as well as simple words. Children will continue Read Write Inc. phonics sessions with a focus on Set 1 sounds.



Mathematics

- Describing a sequence of events, real or fictional.
- Learning key vocabulary such as 'first' or 'then', and using these independently.
- Learning positional language and using these key words to understand the position of an object through words alone.
- Exploring 2D shapes and learning their names and properties.
- Exploring 3D shapes and learning their names and properties.

Understanding the World

We will also be learning about celebrations such as Ramadan, Eid-ul-Fitr and the King's Coronation. We will learn why these are important times and make cards for our families to celebrate the special occasions. We will learn about different modes of transport and have the opportunity to go on a minibus and see what different types of vehicles we can find. We will learn about space and the other planets in the solar system. We will also learn how to plant a sunflower and how to care for them to ensure they grow tall. We will have a competition to see who can grow the tallest sunflower!

Ideas to try at home

- Go on a walk and draw your child's attention to the different vehicles you can find. Talk about emergency vehicles and how they help us.
- Use recycling to create a junk model musical instrument and sing your favourite nursery rhymes whilst playing along.
- Encourage your child to put on their own coat and have a go at fastening their own zip.