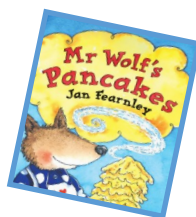




Key Texts

We will be using these texts to shape our learning. We will also be sharing a wide range of stories during daily story times.



Phonics

Phonics sessions will continue to take place 4 times a week. We will recap the letter sounds we have learnt and continue to learn new sounds. Lots of the children are blending sounds to read words confidently now so we will be supporting children with instant sound blending in order to develop their fluency. Please continue to send books back on a Wednesday so that a new book can be given on a Friday.

Expressive Arts and Design

Music

We will continue to listen to and appraise a piece of music weekly, taken from the Spring 2 Reception Charanga scheme - 'Our World'. As part of our theme we will be learning to copy and create some animal rhythms.

We will also be learning to sing some special songs especially for some of our special people.

Design

We will be testing, designing, making and evaluating our own nest cakes.



Understanding the world

We will be continuing to learn about our wonderful world over this half term. For this half of the term we will be looking at warmer places and will find out about what it is like in Africa.

Seasons

We will be thinking about what happens in the Spring.

Key Questions

What is it like in Africa?

How is our life similar or different to a child who lives in Kenya?

What changes happen in the Spring?

Literacy

In our 'Talk for Writing' sessions we will be learning the stories 'Handa's Surprise', and 'We're going on an egg hunt'. We will also be learning some poems.

In our WOW writing sessions, children will be continuing to develop and apply their knowledge of sentence structure and punctuation, including capital letters and full stops.

Maths

This half term we will be focussing on number bonds, comparing quantities up to 10, counting to 20 and beyond and looking at counting patterns beyond 10.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be continuing our scheme called 'Taking care'.

Physical Development

In PE sessions we will be focussing on developing fundamental movement skills. We will be learning to perform a dynamic balance on a line and a static balance, exploring stance. We will also be developing co-ordination through ball skills and will learn some counter balances with a partner.

Holi and Easter

We will be finding out about how some people celebrate Holi and Easter.

Science Week - Plant detectives

We will be finding, observing, thinking and talking about plants growing in our school grounds.