



Our Wonderful World



This curriculum map provides an overview of what your child will be learning across the curriculum this half term. Learning will be linked to our new topic.

Communication and Language: This half term we will be immersing the children in new topic-based vocabulary for them to apply as we learn about different countries around the world. We will be encouraging the children to come up with their own questions about our world, and we will be supporting them to explore the answers through a range of non-fiction books. Our show and tell focus will be to talk about a trip out (either a day trip or a holiday).

Physical Development: This half term, we will be completing a Dance unit in PE. In this unit the children will develop their expressive movement through the topic of 'everyday life'. Children explore space and how to use space safely. They explore travelling movements, shapes and balances. Children choose their own actions in response to a stimulus. They are given the opportunity to copy, repeat and remember actions. They are introduced to counting to help them keep in time with the music. They perform to others and begin to provide simple feedback.

Personal, Social and Emotional skills: This is central to our curriculum in Reception. We will continue with our Zones of Regulation Curriculum and have regular zones 'check-ins' throughout the day. We will identify the coloured zone we are in because of our body signals. We will begin to consider things that might 'trigger' or 'spark' our emotions and affect our regulation.

Literacy: We will continue to read and share a range of high-quality texts with the children. In phonics, we will also be continuing to learn new digraphs and consolidating our existing knowledge of our letter sounds by applying them through our reading and writing. We will gain more confidence and fluency in recognising our tricky words by sight. During Writing Club, we will be learning how to write sentences. Some of us will use finger spaces, capital letters and full stops.

Literacy: This half-term we will begin by learning all about the numbers 9 and 10 and exploring different ways to represent and compare these numbers. We will enhance our learning of the numbers to 10 by engaging in number songs and practising counting forwards and backwards. We will also learn about different 3D shapes and explore their properties. We will finish our maths unit by consolidating our understanding of repeating patterns.

Understanding of the World: This topic focusses on improving our knowledge of our world including culture, food, animals, habitats and the daily life of children around the world. We will be having an around the world WOW day and allowing children the opportunity to experience food, art and religious festivals from a range of different countries. In RE, we will be learning all about Easter.

Expressive Arts and Design: This half term, we will be focussing on how we can transform the surfaces around us by using line, colour and shape. The art unit is called Painting the Savannah. We will be using mono-printing on different surfaces to make animal patterns, painting a horizon and collaging the landscape to create a Savannah scene. This unit will support our fine motor skills through using pencils, rollers, scissors and paint brushes.