

Phonics

As a school, we follow the phonics scheme Little Wandle. We will be learning 4 new sounds a week (Monday – Thursday) and Friday will be recap day to recall all our new sounds we have learnt that week. We will learn the letter name and the sound it makes. We will be sending out plastic wallets with sound cards and later on key words to practise at home. These will provide your child with repetition so that they will be easily able to recall their sounds needed for reading and writing.

Seesaw

We use Seesaw as a home/school communication tool. We hope that seesaw will build a very positive relationship between teachers and parents and that parents can get a chance to see what their children are learning about each day/week. We love to read comments you make on their amazing work and we also enjoy seeing things that you do at home, this could be days out, things they have achieved at home or in sports clubs, etc.

Personal, Social and Emotional

To develop our Personal, Social and Emotional development, we will begin by identifying and moderating our own feelings. We will think about and discuss our future hopes and dreams in order to see ourselves as valuable individuals. We will look at stories such as 'The Feelings Monster' to introduce feelings and emotions and help children settle into school life and to help communicate their feelings to staff in school, their friends and family at home.

Reception Enhancements



Physical Development

In Reception, we have a key focus on both fine motor and gross motor development. Children's physical development is essential for their learning and writing. We will be doing lots of outdoor learning on our climbing frame, trim trail, in our mud kitchen and using other large outdoor equipment. We will also be developing our fine motor skills through; cutting, colouring, finger painting, sensory activities and playdough. We will develop those essential muscles to help us to form our letters correctly.

Mathematics – Numbers

At the beginning of Reception, we begin our maths learning by learning our numbers from 1-5 in depth, using a mastery maths approach. We use NumberBlocks to help children to understand the composition of each number in a fun and exciting way. We will match, sort and compare objects, talk about measure and patterns. We will investigate circles, triangles and shapes with 4 sides.

Our learning will be uploaded to seesaw for you to see where your child is up to with learning and any activities you may wish to do with your child will be suggested on seesaw too.

Understanding the World

We will talk about members of our immediate family and community. We will also discuss the jobs of our families and people we know from our community e.g. fire fighters, doctors, police etc. We will visit our special class trees and take a picture of how it looks during each season.

Expressive art and design

We will be creating and painting our own designs and pictures to explore artistic effects to express our ideas and feelings. We will be drawing pictures of the jobs we would like to have when we grow up. We will explore different materials and ways they can be joined using materials such as sellotape, glue etc...