

Communication and Language

In Reception we love to talk! We will be:

- listening to stories, joining in with repeating parts of stories and retelling stories.
- listening to others and taking turns to speak - considering being a good listener.
- asking and answering questions.
- sharing our ideas on the carpet.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We love to play and work with others and we are learning how to look after ourselves too! We will be talking about

- taking turns with others.
- playing with others and sharing ideas.
- understanding our own feelings and having an awareness of others' feelings.
- how to be a good friend
- how to show perseverance and determination
- how to show courage, and encourage others

Physical Development

It is very important to use our muscles and keep ourselves healthy. We will be practising:

- climbing safely.
- running and negotiating spaces safely, with control.
- balancing on one leg and hopping
- throwing and catching a ball.
- jumping and rolling safely.
- holding a pencil and forming letters correctly.



Literacy

As a class we will be reading and sharing lots of lovely fiction stories, considering characters, settings, storylines and the way a story is sequenced. We will also be using non-fiction books and texts to learn new information, including learning about letters.

Word Reading: We will be learning to:

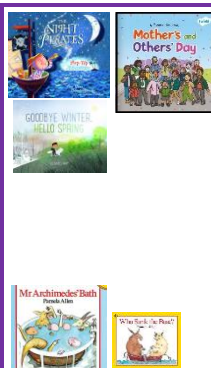
- continuing to learn new sounds in phonics including digraphs and trigraphs - igh oa oo oo ar or ur ow oi ear air ure er
- learning to read two-syllable words and CVC words
- read taught tricky words.

Word Writing:

- write CVC words and High Frequency Words.
- write simple sentences with some support.

Drawing Club

In Drawing Club we will be opening up adventure and imagination through drawing and writing using lots of different stories!



Reception
Spring 2

Under the Sea
Spring
Mother's Day
Easter



Mathematics

We will be learning to:

- recognise and represent numbers to 10.
- count confidently and accurately.
- order numbers and explore one more and one less.
- investigate doubles and matching pairs.
- sort objects and numbers in different ways.

Expressive Art and Design

We will be inspired by the stories that we read and the world around us to:

- use our imagination in narrative when playing
- create new things using a variety of materials e.g. junk modelling, drawing materials, large scale construction materials etc

We will also focus on:

- painting with brushes and printing with small tools
- painting and drawing for a purpose, through observations e.g. drawing a daffodil or tulip.
- collage - tearing, ripping and cutting materials and sticking and layering to create a desired affect or image
- experimenting with different joins in our modelling e.g. using split pins, treasury tags, paper clips, sellotape, hinges and flanges.

Musically we will:

- move our bodies to the beat of the music



Understanding the World

We will be looking at and talking about:

- floating and sinking including making boats to float and considering the effect of adding weight (like passengers!) to the buoyancy of boats.
- the famous scientist Archimedes and his theory of displacement, through the story Mr Archimedes Bath.
- the concept of the past through the history of pirates, learning about famous pirates (including Blackbeard) and discovering some old, real shipwrecks
- how maps are 2D representations of real 3D objects and places
- making and following maps to find Pirate treasure!
- different habitats around the sea and seaside including the beach, seabed and the sea, and different sea and beach animals
- seasonal changes in Spring, including naming Spring flowers
- special cultural and religious celebrations including Easter and Holi



Independent skills to develop at home

To become independent you need to practise

- zipping your coat.
- putting on and taking off your shoes/wellies
- fastening buttons.
- washing and drying hands.
- turning clothes the right side out.
- tidying up after yourself.
- putting lids back on pens.



Homework

Regularly reading your child's Reading Book each week.
Practising the Tricky Words each week.
Library Books - a story to share for pleasure.

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We will be learning about:

- The Easter Story including Lent, Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday
- The importance of 'Love' in the story of Easter.



Please talk to your children about

- themselves and their feelings.
- other people and children (similarities, differences, feelings)
- who they like to play with.