

Spring Term One Reception



English

Our topic is 'The Big Freeze' this term. We will continue to story map each story in order to learn to retell stories and recall key facts. We will use alliteration to write our own snow poems. We will also look at adjectives to describe a setting in a story and use these ideas in our writing.

We are reading...



Phonics

We will begin the term by revising phase two, before we move onto phase three and learn the graphemes ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, ear, air, er.

Tricky words: was, you, they, my, ball, by, all, are, sure, pure.

Maths

Our Mastering number this term focuses on building deep number sense, moving from Autumn's subitising/counting to exploring number compositions (like "5 and a bit") aiming for fluency with numbers up to 10. We will also be recognising patterns (like doubles and symmetrical ones), and linking counting to cardinality, supporting children to prepare for more complex KS1 concepts. We will also be exploring shapes with four sides.

R.E

Christmas:

We will continue the Christmas unit from where Jesus is born.

Baptism

In this unit the children learn about the Church building being an important gathering place for God's Family. They will be introduced to some of the important symbols and actions of the Baptismal Rite.

Geography

We will look at large maps and globes and find out where the cold places are on our planet. We will look at the Arctic and Antarctic and investigate what animals live there.

Homework:

Please continue to read at home with your child 5 times each week.

Please practise reading tricky words sent home weekly as part of our weekly homework too.



Science

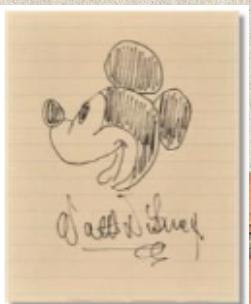
We will look at animals that live in cold places and describe them. We will make animal tracks in 'snow'. We will look around the school grounds to investigate how the season of winter has changed the outdoor environment. We will start to think about how things will start to grow when winter ends and compare this to how this will look different to winter time.

PE

We will cover fundamentals this term allowing children to explore movement skills through places and spaces, they will run, hop, jump and learn about perseverance and working safely. Our PE day is **Friday** this term.

Art

During our art week focus we will be looking at and comparing art work by Walt Disney. We will use a variety of drawing tools create our own drawings in a similar style. We will try to become more accurate in our drawing and use pencil to shade within the outlines.



Music

We will be learning several nursery rhymes and action songs, including:
Wind the bobbin up
Rock a bye baby
5 little monkeys jumping on the bed
Twinkle twinkle
If you're happy and you know it

Computing

Key skills for ICT will be taught through RHE and other areas of learning, including:

- Being confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.
- Explaining the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly

RHE

We will consider our bodies and how they move and what different body parts are called (this will not include genitalia).

We will consider mental wellbeing as part of 'Healthy me' and mental wellbeing week.

We will look at the value of Mutual Respect and discuss what this looks and feels like in our school, this forms our British Values focus for this term.