

In English

This half term, our topic is "Toys and Games." The children will be covering different texts, such as 'Traction Man is Here' and 'Jumanji.'

The children will continue to work on their story sequencing and story telling skills, as well as developing their writing in a range of different ways including instruction writing, narrative, story writing, poetry and non-fiction.

The children will also be developing their handwriting and fine motor skills through a range of activities in our continuous provision.

Phonics will be taught 4 times a week, according to which phase your child is in. During English lessons, children are encouraged to use their Phonics to support their spelling and grammar.

Home Learning

Home learning will continue to be set in home learning books, in the form of a learning jigsaw of activities.

All of the activities set are linked to the curriculum being taught in the provision this half term.

Please ensure one piece of learning is completed per week and is sent in on Monday of each week.

A home learning book has been provided for any pieces of learning that are able to go in it (stuck in please).



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Language Provision Newsletter Summer 1 2023

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful break and that the children are feeling fully rested and raring to go! We have a busy, fun half term ahead of us!

Miss Reid-Smith – **Monday to Thursday**

Mrs O'Brien – **Monday to Friday**

Mrs Luxford, Mrs Pickering, Miss Norman and Mrs Spittal.

How can you help at home?

Please can you encourage your child to read to an adult at least 3 times a week. We would appreciate it if you could ask them questions about what they are reading. Please sign the reading record each time. **We will not change reading books if the reading record has not been signed, or if we feel the children need to go over the book again.**

Please make sure ALL items of clothing and personal property are clearly named – hunting for unnamed items takes up a great deal of curriculum time!

Please check book bags and contact books DAILY. **Remember**, if you have a message for the class teacher, please leave the contact book left open on the corresponding page so that we are able to respond as soon as possible.

We would be grateful if you could **donate £2** for our consumables that resource our additional activities, such as cooking. If you feel able to do this, please put donations in an envelope – thank you for your support.

Important Dates

Friday 28th April – Own Clothes Day FoR

Monday 1st May – Bank Holiday

Friday 5th – Sunday 8th May – PGL (Year 4)

Monday 8th May – Bank Holiday (Coronation)

Saturday 13th May – Family Board Game Café FoR

Thursday 18th May- Parents online safety forum

Friday 19th May – KS2 Quiz FoR

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June – May Half Term

As Mathematicians we will be...

Learning about and developing our understanding of measure. We will be learning, using practical and visual methods about fractions of shapes and amounts, length and height, weight and capacity as well as for some of us, we will be introduced to perimeter, area and volume.

Useful Websites

Hit the Button

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Mental Maths Train

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/mental-maths-train>

Phonics

[http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/
www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/www.phonicsplay.co.uk)

Reading

<https://www.roythezebra.com/reading-games.html>

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/kids-activities/fun-maths-games->

The Wider Curriculum

On Fridays...

Outdoor Learning and life skills sessions, in order to develop their communication, understanding and problem solving skills.

Please ensure the children have appropriate footwear and wet weather clothing.

In RE...

Sharks will be answering the question "How important is it for Jewish people to do what God has asked them to do?"

Frogs will also be studying the practice and beliefs of Judaism.

In PE we are continuing to... develop our basic skills such as running, jumping, throwing and catching, with Coach Alhaji on Wednesdays.

During our lessons on Friday, we will be developing our gymnastic skills for our second dance unit of the year.

REMINDER

Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure the children come in dressed ready for PE as they will be unable to get changed at school. Unless it is raining heavily, Wednesday's session will be in the playground, so please make sure your child has appropriate clothing to keep them warm and appropriate footwear.

As Musicians we are continuing to... work with our specialist Music teachers Mrs Walker and Mrs Fathers from BYMT.

In Computing...

Sharks will be studying the unit 'Pictograms' in order to develop their understanding of collecting and interpreting data and information.

Frogs will be looking at the unit "questioning" using Purple Mash.

In Design and Technology...

We will be designing and creating our own moving vehicle/toy.

In Personal Development...

In Sharks and Frogs, the children will be learning and discussing their rights and responsibilities in their community.

As Geographers, we will...

Continue to explore and develop our understanding of the UK and compare the different features to another country in Europe.

