

### Expressive Arts and Design

We are concentrating on using and exploring a variety of materials, tools and techniques, exploring with colour, texture and design.

### Communication and Language

This term we are learning to understand humor, being able to follow a story without pictures or props and develop our listening skills in a range of situations.

### Personal, Social and Emotional

This term we are focusing on finding a compromise and taking into account other people's thoughts and ideas.

### Literacy

Our Literacy texts are 'We're Going on a bear Hunt' for Spring 1 and for Spring 2 we are using 'How to catch a star'.

We have a strong focus on writing labels, captions and sentences, concentrating on letter formation. We are using a Talk 4 Writing approach again so children will be learning to retell each story with actions.

# Journey into the Unknown...

### RE

RE will be taught to Reception alongside Year 1 and 2 this term. We are learning about 'Where do we belong?' and 'What does it mean to belong to a faith community?'

## Spring 2020

### Physical

We are using Dough Disco to develop our fine motor skills and we will be introducing 'Squiggle While you Wiggle' to enhance our gross motor skill development.

### Understanding the World

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### Maths

This term we are learning all about the numbers 9-18, including finding one more and one less, ordering them and simple addition and subtraction. We look at lots of different representations of each number and we will be developing our ability to solve maths problems. We will also be looking at using language related to money.

## Dear Nursery and Reception Parents/carers.

Welcome back! We hope you all had a relaxing and fantastic Christmas and New Year. Just as a reminder, the door opens at 8:45am for children to come straight into their classrooms. Register is taken at 9am ready for lessons to begin. If you arrive after 9am, please could you enter via the school office so your child can be added to the register?

It has been very clear this year already that children are working at home and it really does show in school. Daily reading sessions at home and especially during school holidays really does make a difference!

Year 1 and 2 continue to join us on a Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon.

Happy New Year!!

Miss Kirk and Mrs. Lealman.

## PE and Clothing

For P.E. all children require a pair of trainers, a white top and a black pair of shorts. Jogging bottoms and a jumper would be useful for outdoor PE particularly as the weather starts to get colder.

If any spare school clothing is borrowed, could we please ask that it is returned to school a.s.a.p. We seem to be low on school socks again!

Please clearly name ALL items of clothing as it really helps us with returning lost items to the correct person.

## Homework

It is important for your children to read at home as, of course, practice makes perfect. If you could listen to them read the book they bring home and write a brief note in their yellow reading record, that would be really helpful. The books follow on from the daily phonics sessions we have.

Please feel free to bring in any 'WOW' slips, this can be about anything from reading to artwork or a photo of somewhere you have visited. These are then added to our learning journeys.