

Reception Class Autumn 1 Term Newsletter

Welcome to the Autumn 1 term, this term we have an exciting new topic we are covering.



Topic: It's Good To Be Me

This term we will be exploring the topic of 'It's Good to Be Me'. We will be looking at a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction books.

At the start of the term the children will have a comfortable start to their school life by becoming familiar with each other, the adults and their new environment. We will then move onto following the adventure of Pete the Cat who is also getting use to his new school.

Focus Books:



Literacy:

This term we will be learning our individual letter sounds and listening to the initial sounds at the beginning of words. We will begin to segment and blend individual sounds in words to prepare us for reading and writing and will begin to look at correct letter formations. We will also look at rhyming words and practice writing our names.

Upcoming Events

This term PE will be on a **Friday** afternoon.

- 13th September- PTA Relaunch 6pm
- 19th September- Phonics Meeting 3.45pm
- 26th September- Harvest Food Collection
- 30th September-Penny Run
- 7th October-Harvest Church Service
- 18th October-Parents Evening- 1.30pm-4.30pm
- 20th October-Parents Evening 3.50pm-6.30pm
- 21st October- Inset Day
- 31st October – Term Ends

Activities to do at home:

- Encourage children to talk positively about school. Discuss what they did today, who they played with etc
- Help children to recognise numbers. For example, number their toy cars and ask them what number they are playing with today.
- Make patterns using natural objects you find. For example, Conker, leaf, conker, leaf.
- Help children to write their names using correct letter formations. (Capital letter at the beginning only)

Maths:

This term we will be exploring different sorting rules, comparing amounts, size, mass and capacity. Discussing and making simple repeating patterns, beginning to look at composition and subitising and discussing the properties of shapes. We will be 1:1 counting and linking this to numbers. We will be singing number rhymes to help children to understand the concept of a number.

Understanding the World:

This term we will be looking at:

The season of Autumn-We will go on an autumn walk in our local area and discuss the changes we have noticed since summer. From the autumn walk we will collect natural materials and have a closer look at them back in the classroom.

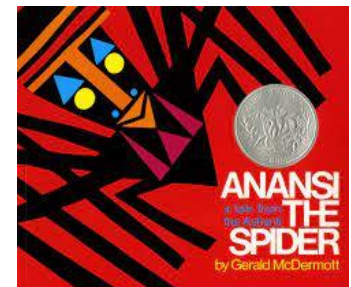
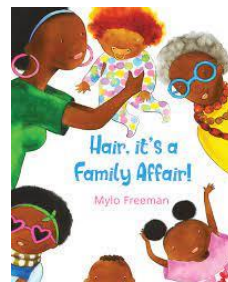
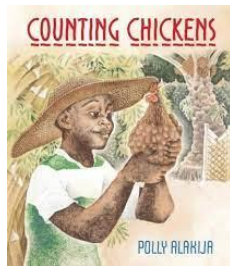
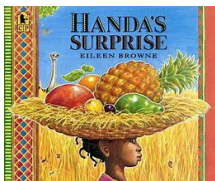
My Family- the children will discuss who is a part of their family. The children will draw a family portrait and discuss the differences of their family and their friends.

Our Local Area- We will go for a local walk to the village green. The children will be encouraged to look for features such as 'Costa and The Stag'. We will take photos and create a large floor map the children will be encouraged to use the construction materials to create buildings.

Our Bodies- Using the well known story 'Funny Bones' the children will be looking at human skeletons. They will create their skeleton body using Astro straws.



Black History- We will be using a reading a wide variety of books such as



Christianity/Harvest Festival- We will learn all about the Christian celebration of the Harvest festival. The children will visit the church for the first time. The children will also be learning the Christian belief on how God created the world.

