Northwood Primary School

be read by others.



Reception Curriculum Newsletter

Curriculum Information - Topics								
Autumn I 2023	Autumn 2 2023	Spring I 2024	Spring 2 2024		Summer I 2024	Summer 2 2024		
Marvellous Me	Let's Celebrate	People Who Help Us	New Life		Amazing Animals	It's A Wonderful World		
Homework Timetable – Reception								
	Issued			Returned to School				
Reading/Library Book	New book is issued on Friday			Book to be returned to school on a Wednesday				

	Reception Curriculum						
Curriculum Area	Reception	Home Enrichment Acti	vities				
Communication	Children will continue be encouraged to take part in						
Language and	circle time activities within small groups and whole	Please read with your child regularly and return books					
Literacy	class. Children will share daily stories that will be	to school so that a nev					
	discussed in detail and they will expand on these	any of their own books daily. Encourage your child to					
	stories in their groups discussing what they think of	recognise any 'tricky words' they find in books or in					
	the characters and settings and why.	their environment. In school, pupils have been					
		consolidating these skills to develop their independent					
	Pupils will have the opportunity to engage in topic	reading and spelling. Examples of these words are					
	based role play to develop their expressive language.	below:					
	They will continue to use role play scenarios to	Phase 4	Phase 2	Phase 3			
	develop past, present and future forms in their	said	1	he			
	speech regarding stages of the story.	have	no	she			
		like so	the	we			
	Stories covered will include:	do	to	me			
	The Pied Piper	some come	go into	be you			
	 Jack and the Flum Flum Tree 	little	, into	are			
	Pirates love underpants	one were		her			
	Handa's Surprise	there what		was			
	What the Ladybird heard at the Seaside.	when		all			
	Tiddler	out		they			
				my			
	Nursery rhymes covered will include:	Follow the links below on YouTube for some catchy					
	When the Boat Comes In.	songs:					
	Bobby Shaft's Gone to Sea						
	Peter Piper	Phase 4 tricky words:					
	Rub a Dub	Phase 4 Tricky Words Song Sight Words Song for said,					
	Ten in a Bed	have, like, come, some, what, when (youtube.com)					
	Children will continue to access Little Wandle Letters	Phase 3 tricky word song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R087IYrRpgY					
	and Sounds. Here they will be looking at more						
	complex words and sentences and building their	Charles at a start a leader of a					
	fluency when reading (CVCC, CCVC and compound	Sharing stories helps develop language, communication					
	words).	and imagination. Read a story with your child every day.					
		Encourage your child to talk about the illustrations in the stories. Model how to hold a book correctly and turn pages. Feed your child's imagination and deepen their vocabulary by telling them a range of stories.					
	The children will also be consolidating previous tricky						
	words and learning new ones as well as writing them						
	independently in preparation for key stage 1.						
	,,,,,,,,	Practise writing at home- the children should write their full name on every bit of work that they do to cement this skill. If they draw a picture can they label it? Write a sentence to describe it? Write a sentence about a story they have read? We would love to see examples of this.					
	Pupils will continue to develop their writing skills,						
	working longer phrases, sentences and using simple						
	conjunctions to put more information into a						
	sentence. They will be focussing on formation of their						
	work ensuring they can read it themselves and it can						
	be read by others.						

Mathematics

In maths this term we will be focussing on:

- Patterns in odd and even numbers.
- Counting forwards/backwards to 20 from any given number.
- Subitising to 5. (saying a quantity without needing to count)
- Number bonds within 10.
- One more/one less within 20.
- Doubling and halving.
- Rote counting in 2's and 10's
- Even/odd numbers to 10 (using numicon)

Can they subitise (say how many on sight) when are met with a group of objects?

Encourage children to look for patterns in numbers (odd and even)

Practise number formation.

Say one more and less than a given number – make this a fast recall game.

Double and half quantities of objects – Use toys and split into groups/add more to the group to double

Understanding the World

Significant person this term – Christopher Columbus. The children will be discussing where he sailed and the places he discovered.

We will be exploring floating and sinking and testing the effects of adding



objects to vessels we make. This will then lead in to discussing waterproofing and waterproof materials and which materials we would use to build a pirate ship. We will also create a treasure map that won't get ruined in water!

The children will be discussing the town we live in, the country, our capital city and the continent. Exploring these details on maps and in atlases.

Can you research Christopher Columbus and create a picture of him?

Predict and test items that will float and sink – a perfect time to do this is in the bath or paddling pool in the nicer weather.

Make your own pirate ship at home and see if it floats.

Expressive Arts and Design

Pupils will learn to sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes action songs and themed songs. They will perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and try to move in time with music.

The nursery rhymes covered this half term are:

- When the Boat Comes In.
- Bobby Shaft's Gone to Sea
- Peter Piper
- Rub a Dub
- Ten in a Bed

We will also be looking at sculptures inspired by the work of Anthony Gormley (creator of the Angel of the North) and making our own fish sculptures.

We will also be getting ready for sports day with lots of practise of the games in our PE sessions!