



Mrs Rees's Class

Reception Autumn Term 2020

Welcome to the autumn term and the start of school life for your children at Great Wood Primary School! Below you will find a brief outline of the curriculum areas, which we will be focusing on in class throughout the autumn term. Please note, that the list is a summary and is subject to change over the course of the term. It does, however, offer a little information to enable you to further-support your child's learning. Our first two topics this term will be **Heroes** and **Festivals around the world**.

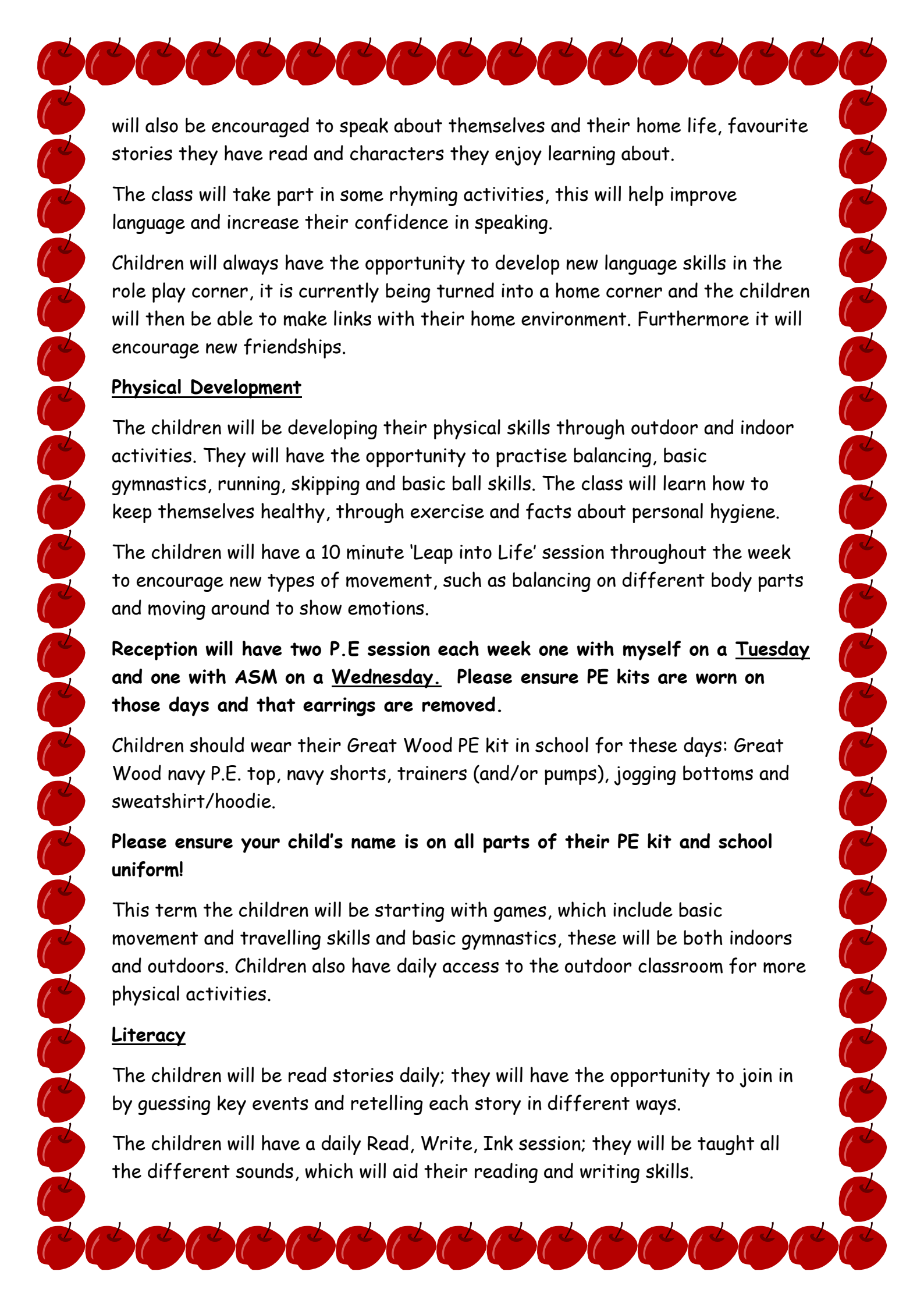
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The children will be learning about how they and other children show their feelings, how to be a good friend and how to play cooperatively with their peers. This term's topics are *New Beginnings* and *Getting on and Falling Out*. The children will learn about people who help us, they will be learning to share and take account of other's ideas.

Children will have the chance to form new relationships with children and learn how to tolerate delay, when playing with continuous provision resources.

Communication and Language

The children will be developing their listening and communication skills through discussing different stories about fictional super heroes, as well as real life heroes and heroines. This will be done either through talk or role-play, children



will also be encouraged to speak about themselves and their home life, favourite stories they have read and characters they enjoy learning about.

The class will take part in some rhyming activities, this will help improve language and increase their confidence in speaking.

Children will always have the opportunity to develop new language skills in the role play corner, it is currently being turned into a home corner and the children will then be able to make links with their home environment. Furthermore it will encourage new friendships.

Physical Development

The children will be developing their physical skills through outdoor and indoor activities. They will have the opportunity to practise balancing, basic gymnastics, running, skipping and basic ball skills. The class will learn how to keep themselves healthy, through exercise and facts about personal hygiene.

The children will have a 10 minute 'Leap into Life' session throughout the week to encourage new types of movement, such as balancing on different body parts and moving around to show emotions.

Reception will have two P.E session each week one with myself on a Tuesday and one with ASM on a Wednesday. Please ensure PE kits are worn on those days and that earrings are removed.

Children should wear their Great Wood PE kit in school for these days: Great Wood navy P.E. top, navy shorts, trainers (and/or pumps), jogging bottoms and sweatshirt/hoodie.

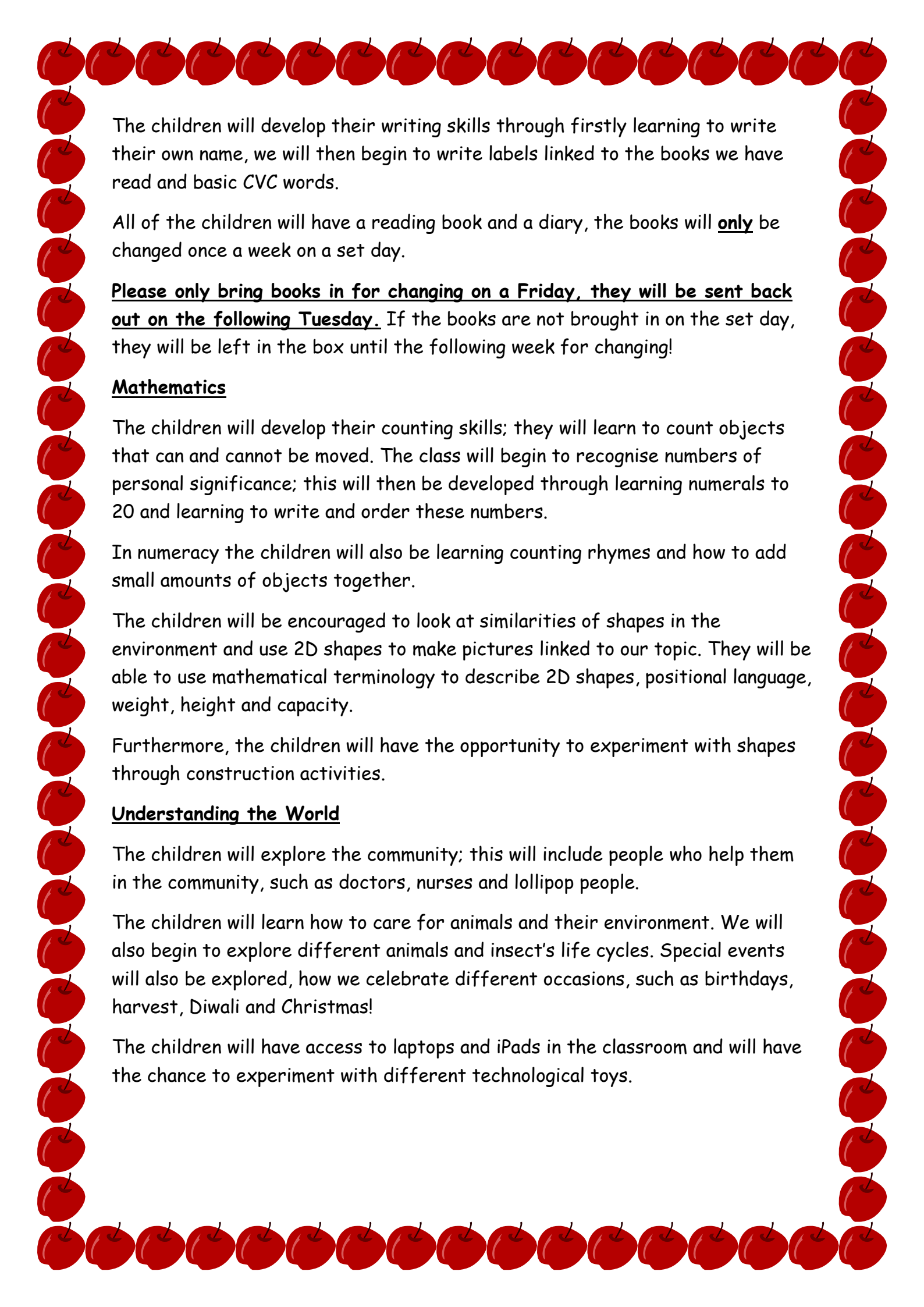
Please ensure your child's name is on all parts of their PE kit and school uniform!

This term the children will be starting with games, which include basic movement and travelling skills and basic gymnastics, these will be both indoors and outdoors. Children also have daily access to the outdoor classroom for more physical activities.

Literacy

The children will be read stories daily; they will have the opportunity to join in by guessing key events and retelling each story in different ways.

The children will have a daily Read, Write, Ink session; they will be taught all the different sounds, which will aid their reading and writing skills.



The children will develop their writing skills through firstly learning to write their own name, we will then begin to write labels linked to the books we have read and basic CVC words.

All of the children will have a reading book and a diary, the books will only be changed once a week on a set day.

Please only bring books in for changing on a Friday, they will be sent back out on the following Tuesday. If the books are not brought in on the set day, they will be left in the box until the following week for changing!

Mathematics

The children will develop their counting skills; they will learn to count objects that can and cannot be moved. The class will begin to recognise numbers of personal significance; this will then be developed through learning numerals to 20 and learning to write and order these numbers.

In numeracy the children will also be learning counting rhymes and how to add small amounts of objects together.

The children will be encouraged to look at similarities of shapes in the environment and use 2D shapes to make pictures linked to our topic. They will be able to use mathematical terminology to describe 2D shapes, positional language, weight, height and capacity.

Furthermore, the children will have the opportunity to experiment with shapes through construction activities.

Understanding the World

The children will explore the community; this will include people who help them in the community, such as doctors, nurses and lollipop people.

The children will learn how to care for animals and their environment. We will also begin to explore different animals and insect's life cycles. Special events will also be explored, how we celebrate different occasions, such as birthdays, harvest, Diwali and Christmas!

The children will have access to laptops and iPads in the classroom and will have the chance to experiment with different technological toys.



Expressive Arts and Design

The children will have the chance to explore different medias, such as paint, pencil crayons and different craft materials to see what they can make. They will create portraits, superhero cityscapes, comic strips, firework paintings and some exciting Christmas crafts too!

Aprons are provided, however, if you wish, then please bring in an apron/old shirt, or T-shirt that children can wear over their uniform for these activities.

The children will have the chance to construct and build using their imagination.

Reception will have a music lesson on a Friday morning with Mr. Chapman.

Due to the current circumstances, we will endeavour to complete all these activities keeping in mind social distancing and keeping the children in their bubbles throughout the day. Hand washing is done regularly and hand sanitiser is used throughout the day.

Children will be given a homework project to complete every two weeks. Homework will be given out on a Friday and should be handed in by the date specified, usually a week on Monday. There are also lots of resources on Espresso to help children with their learning - go to <https://online.espresso.co.uk> and type the school's username student28055 and the password forest.

As the weather deteriorates please could you ensure your child has suitable clothing! Remember if you put a name in your child's belonging, it is much easier for us to find, should they misplace it!

If you have any questions please email the school office to organise a phone call!

Thanks

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