Spring Two in Reception

Literacy

Writing:
Our theme is;
'Under the Sea'
We will;
- discuss and share our ideas and opinions
- write short captions
- write our own short sentences
- use all of the sounds we have learnt in our phonics lessons so far.

We are reading...

Drawing Club: This half term, we will continue to develop our love of stories through talking confidently, using new vocabulary, listening, sharing ideas, respecting and helping each other. We are working towards developing our phonics knowledge as well as creating mathematical opportunities through purpose.

Maths

We will;
- continue learning the different compositions of each number.
- subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5.
- counting, ordinality and cardinality
- comparing numbers
- doubling numbers.

Understanding the World

We will learn about;
- what lives in our rivers and oceans?
- how to care for the environment and work together to clean up our rivers and oceans.
- how to keep ourselves safe around water.
- the festivals of Easter, Ramadan and EID
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Expressive Arts and Design

We will;
- explore a wider range of techniques within our art.
- listen attentively, move to and talk about what we can hear, expressing our feelings and responses in music.
- sing in a group or on our own,
- increasingly matching the pitch and following a melody.
- explore and engage in dance, performing solo or in groups.

Physical Development

In PE will be;
- develop our listening and attention skills
- develop our team skills through a range of team games and activities
- be able to demonstrate our strength, balance and coordination
- running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.

As part of our fine motor development, we;
- participate in our daily finger gym activities.
- threading, pinching and moulding
- developing our pencil grip to support our writing and letter formation.

Communication and Language

We will;
- continue to share our ideas
- offer explanations for why things might happen
- make use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems
- express our ideas and feelings about our own experiences
- use full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses
- make use of conjunctions.
- listen carefully
- take turns when speaking
- respond appropriately in whole class discussion.

Phonics and Reading

We will;
- continue to learn new phase 3 phonemes and apply this in their reading.

Please focus on reading and discussing stories with your children. Children are coming home with books containing the phonemes, they have been taught, allowing them to deepen their learning at home.

Google Classroom

Our weekly phonics will continue to be shared on Google Classroom every Friday. Please help your child by practising these at home. Log in details can be found on page 9 of your child's reading diary.

PSE

In our Jigsaw sessions this half term, we will be talking about **'Healthy Me'.**

We will learn;
- how we make healthy choices
- stay active
- keep ourselves and others safe
- be a good friend and how to deal with difficult situations.

Self-care

In our second term children will develop the skills they need to manage the school day successfully. This will include:
- independence in managing our self-care
- doing up our own zips
- removing our own jumpers
- taking off and putting on our shoes and socks
- to care for our environment and the resources within it
- being responsible to look after our belongings, including hats, gloves, scarves and bags
- blowing our own noses

In preparation for getting changed for PE after the Easter holidays, please encourage your child to get undressed and dressed independently.