

Communication, Language and Literacy

Children will be working in both large and small groups to share ideas and stories. We will be using a wide range of high quality stories to help children develop a love of reading. Through our topic, 'You've Got A Friend in Me' the children will have the opportunity to share and record from their own experiences and use role play to help them re-tell stories.

Our class text will be 'Owl Babies' to help the children with their transition to Reception.

Children will also receive book bags and planners. These are an important communication tool between home and school, that shall be used to log your child's reading and any other queries you may have.

Maths

Children will be using a wide range of number songs and rhymes to recognise and use numbers to 10. They will be using lots of practical activities and equipment to help them link maths to the real world. The children will also take part in a maths investigation week, enabling them to practise their problem solving and reasoning skills.

Understanding the World

We will be learning how to stay safe online.

In Science, we will be finding out about our bodies and naming basic body parts through songs and games.

The children will also explore and discuss their own families and family history.

Physical Development

Children will be looking at the differences in their bodies when they do physical activities.

We will be looking at hand washing and taking care of ourselves to keep healthy during snack and toilet times and when getting ready for lunch.

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You've Got a Friend in Me / Sparkles and

Phonics Children will be taught phonics through daily sessions, beginning with Phase 2 Letters and Sounds. This will help children to hear phonemes in words and recognise the graphemes that represent them.

Key information

We have planned exciting themed weeks to support transition in the Autumn term!
Including- Arts week and Happy, Healthy Me week!

- **Stunning start** – Animal visit
- **Fantastic finish** – Trip to visit Santa
- **PE** – Monday remember to wear sportswear.
- **Homework** – We will be launching our new homework service- Learning with Parents.
- **Trips** – We will be visiting Dudley Zoo for our Christmas trip. More details to follow!
- **Weather** – We will go outside in all-weather so please send your child prepared for this!

Expressive Art & Design

We shall be using the theme of 'You've Got a Friend in Me' to explore similarities and difference. We shall be painting self-portraits.

Later in the term, we shall be making clay divas and decorating them with pattern as we celebrate Diwali. In December we shall use our creative skills as we get ready to celebrate Christmas.

We shall also look at different artists and explore how they make art.

PSED

Children will be taking part in a range of circle time activities to get to know their new school friends and teachers.

We shall also be following a new scheme of work called 'Jigsaw' to support our PSED understanding.

We will be focusing on working together and taking care of ourselves and others. We will be learning to use our belongings and equipment in the classroom with care. Alongside this, we will be introducing our class rights and responsibilities to help us to make positive choices.

What can you do at home to help?

- Hear your child read and record this in their planner. To help them further you could ask them questions about what they are reading.
- **Complete homework set on Learning with Parents.**
- Use the following websites for fun learning activities:
- <http://www.sparkisland.com/>
- <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>
- <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>



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Meet the Reception staff



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