



Phonics and Reading

We are continuing in our different phonic groups this week to help support the children's learning.

In Miss Beckett and Miss Cook's phonic groups learning 'ar', 'ur', 'oo' (book) and 'or'. Please keep practising your child's gap sounds from the gap sheet sent out before Christmas.

Mrs Sharlott and Mrs Glasspool will be learning th, ng and nk.



What we are up to this week...

We will be continuing to have a go at some of the previous activities including ice painting, melting ice, snowman art and learning different rhymes about People Who Help Us.

Literacy

In literacy, we will think back to the different jobs we learnt about in our story last week and have a go at drawing ourselves as a person who helps us and then writing a sentence to go with it such as 'I will be a vet.' We are learning about how to structure a sentence.



Handwriting

We are exploring different ways to strengthen our muscles as this will help with our handwriting. This includes bear crawling, mark making, climbing, monkey bars, sweeping, carrying heavy items etc.

Maths

We are beginning to focus on learning different kinds of shapes. We have been spotting squares, triangles, rectangles and circles in our classrooms and talking about how many sides and corners they have.

With a our number work, we are learning about the number 5, 6 and 7 and different ways to make it e.g. if I put up 5 fingers and put 2 down, I still have 5 fingers. 2 and 3 make 5.



We will then be thinking about if we have numbers bigger than 5 e.g. 5 and 1 more is 6.

The wider curriculum

In our PSHE learning, we are continuing to think about our bodies and what is safe to go in them. Linking to our learning about People Who Help Us, we will learn about what happens when we are poorly and need medicine and how to do this safely.

In PE, we are developing our balancing skills by using bean bags as well as developing our muscles.

We are continuing to do our Forest School sessions on a Wednesdays and this week, we will be using our creativity to make homes for different animals and thinking about how to make them safe and cosy.

Regular Reminders

The new year is a fab time to check everything is clearly named to ensure belongings are not lost.

As the weather is often wet and windy, please consider sending in waterproof clothes/trousers or spare clothes and socks as we do allow the children to go outside in all weather and they may get soggy.

Reading folders need to be handed in every Friday so we can change the children's books and give out the stickers which work towards earning their reading badge.



Our topic this term...

People Who Help Us

If you are or know a police officer, doctor, firefighter, dentist, dental nurse, nurse, etc, anything along those lines, please come and talk to your child's class teacher and we can arrange for you to come along and share information about your job. The children find it so interesting, and they love to receive first hand experiences of what your job entails.

