

## The Reception topic for Summer 1 is 'Mad About Minibeasts'.

### Literacy

Children will continue to follow the Read Write Inc scheme to develop and embed children's phonetic knowledge. Please continue to read, practise sounds, and read tricky words by sight with your child at home to consolidate learning.

Children will learn to plan what they want to write. We will apply our phonic knowledge when writing lists, labels, captions, and sentences.

We will read a range of fiction and non-fiction books that link to our minibeast topic, learning new words that we can use in our play.

### Mathematics

In mathematics we will explore the composition of numbers and practise automatically recalling number bonds to ten.

We will use Numicon to find one more and less than a number and when exploring doubles. We will continue to learn to write numerals to create number sentence.

The children will use practise sharing amounts equally and saying if a group has more or less than something else.

### Personal, Social, Emotional Development

This half term we will discuss our own feelings and begin to discuss how this may make other people feel. The children will work on identifying the needs of their friends.

The children will talk about why rules are important and how they keep us safe. We will work to manage our own behaviour in accordance to the rules.



### Expressive Arts & Design

This half-term we will focus on music. The children will listen to a range of music and will use a words to describe music e.g. light, heavy, gentle, happy, sad. We will discuss the changes that we can hear in the music such as speed and volume.

We will practise and consolidate painting and constructing, evaluating our creations.

### Understanding the World

In understanding of the world, we will talk about how environments can be different to the one we live in. We will learn about minibeasts that live in different countries. Children will be encouraged to ask and answer questions about our topic.

The children will learn to use scientific equipment to look at minibeasts closely and safely.

### Communication and Language

The children will listen to and understand what has been taught in non-fiction books, learning new vocabulary demonstrating their understanding of the vocabulary by using it in a range of contexts.

We will practice holding a conversation considering what others have said before responding appropriately and continue for many turns. The children will participate in small group discussions, offering their own ideas.

### Physical Development

PE will be on a Thursday morning for both Reception classes.

Elite coaches will continue to lead the sessions, this half term we will be focusing on ball skills.

Please ensure children bring PE kits every Thursday and have outdoor trainers or pumps and a jacket as some sessions may be held outside.