

# Year R Autumn Term Learning



## English:

We will be learning the set 1 speed sounds this term. Children will be taught to recognise them and write them. We will also be using these sounds to blend to read 2 and 3 letter words and segment to spell small words too. Children will also have lots of opportunities to write their name correctly. Our weekly writing will be linked to some wonderful stories such as Owl Babies and The Little Red Hen. The children will be writing labels and lists using the sounds we will be learning. Children will be learning some simple keywords which they will be bringing home

## Maths:

Our work in maths will initially focus on saying the number names in order to 10, and then 20, as well as number recognition to 10. Children will also learn effective strategies for counting a set of objects consistently and have lots of opportunities to have a go at forming numerals correctly too. We will be moving on to finding one more or one less than a number and adding small quantities using objects. Activities will be very practical to ensure children experience hands on learning and embed these skills and concepts. We will be naming and describing 2d shapes.

## Topic:

Our first topic is 'All About Me'. Children will be learning about senses and their own bodies. They will be sharing their interests with their peers and exploring families. As part of this we will be asking the children to 'Show and Tell' the 'homework' they completed over the summer so we can all learn about our new friends. Children will also be learning about Harvest, Guy Fawkes, Diwali and Christmas.

## Other information:

PE will take place on Monday and Thursday each week. Children will need to have the correct sports kit in school every week for these sessions. As the weather turns colder, some warmer clothes would be advisable as PE will usually take place outside.

### What to bring to school

- Children will need to bring a **book bag** to school **everyday**, along with their reading book, reading record and keywords. As these will be kept in children's drawers, it is helpful if the children have a book bag, rather than a rucksack.
- To ensure the children keep well hydrated throughout the day, please send them in with a bottle of water (not squash).
- The children will be spending a lot of time outside come rain or shine. Even if the weather looks warm, please send a coat as you never know when a shower will surprise us!
- Please ensure every item that comes to school has a name label.

***We discourage children from bringing their own toys to school, as they quite often get lost or damaged.***

## How can I help:

Reading with your child is of huge benefit. ***Little and often is the best way.*** Please see the 'Reading at Home' section of the website for some useful tips. Please record any reading done at home in your child's reading record and send this to school in their book bag everyday. Children will also be coming home with the sounds we have learnt each week, so please reinforce these at home through playing games such as snap, bingo and hunts with them. Likewise, keywords will be sent home. These are high frequency words that need to be learnt by sight.

Useful websites:

- <http://www.ictgames.com/resources.html>
- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>