

Literacy, communication and Language

We will be looking at stories including changes such as 'Jack and the Beanstalk', 'The Enormous Turnip', 'Jim and the Beanstalk' and 'Jasper's Beanstalk'. We will be looking at recount writing to describe planting a seed. We will be re-writing the story of Jack and the Beanstalk by changing the characters and the ending of the story.

Maths

Children will be:

- Reception will be learning to work confidently with numbers to 50.
- Reception will be investigating money, comparing values and solving problems using addition and subtraction.
- We will all be looking at measure, comparing length, capacity and weight using non standard units.
- Nursery are consolidating numbers within 15.

Important dates

- 27th April Creative week showcase

Creative Development

We will be celebrating creative week in the week of the 24th of April. Our focus is weaving and the children will have opportunities to weave with lots of different materials. We will also be making collages and pictures with natural objects, drawing flowers and plants from observation. We will be making mini beasts from clay and other materials.

Summer term 1 2017 Curriculum guide

Leopard, Tiger and Zebra Class
TOPIC: Changes

PSED

Our SEAL topic this half term is 'Relationships.' We will be thinking about what is unfair behaviour and how to seek help if we are feeling sad or angry, or how to help others. We will discuss how being pleased for our friends' achievements. We will also think about the importance of telling the truth, saying sorry and staying friends.

Physical development

The Leopards and Tigers will be continuing to develop our ball skills and team games. We will all be continuing to work hard to strengthen our shoulders, arms and fingers to help us write letters and numbers and draw clearly with control.

Phonics

In reception we continue to consolidate and apply all the phase 2 sounds continue to learn our phase 3 sounds. We are continuing to learn to read and spell our phase 3 tricky words. In Zebras we are continuing to learn phase 1 phonics and focus on discrimination of different types.

Understanding the World

We will be planting seeds and looking at the conditions needed for growth. We will look for similarities and differences when we change environments for plant growth to investigate the importance of light and water. We will be looking for and investigating minibeasts.

Enrichment activities

- Dance, Zebras Tuesday and Thursday morning in small groups
- Forest school Tigers Group 2 Thursday morning.
- Leopards PE Friday afternoon.
- Tigers PE Friday morning.

Home links

Plant quick growing plants like cress, beans, peas at home and watch them grow with your children. Visit the garden of a neighbour/friend/family or a park with a garden space. Go to the library and find books to share about plants or growing, visit a garden centre, go for a walk in a woodland area/park. Draw pictures/take photos of the plants you can spot. Do you know any of the names of them? Make collections of wild flowers/seeds/twigs. Use them for counting, patterns or art. Press some flowers in a book.

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Reading- We will be looking at lots of stories about pirates. We will look at characters and their dialogue. We will read information about creatures that live in water and on land.

Writing- We will be using story maps, role play and talk for writing to help children to retell and write their own stories. We will be researching creatures that live on land and in the water and write information about them. Children will be writing for different purposes using our role play area of a pirate ship including labelling maps and writing directions.

Maths

Investigating value of coins (reception). Enjoying counting 1:1 coins accurately to 10 (nursery).

Adding and subtracting two single digit numbers and counting on and back (reception). Counting and making sets matching to numerals, making repeating patterns with natural objects (nursery).

Important dates

Wednesday 14th June Tiger's assembly 9.30am
Wednesday 28th Leopards assembly 9.30am
Friday 30th Reception graduation
Monday 3rd July INSET day
Tuesday 4th July sports day
Healthy schools week July 4th-7th
Friday 21st July 2pm Break up for summer

Creative Development

Building treasure chests
Pirate role play area
Pirate themed songs
Drawing treasure maps
Sand art and sculptures
Beach role play

Physical development

Using tools to create props.
Pirate movement game
Using tweezers to get treasure out of the sand.

Summer term 2 2017

Curriculum guide

Leopard, Tiger and Zebra Class

TOPIC: Treasure sand and water

PSED

Transition activities, shared playtime: the Badgers with the Leopards and the Tigers with the Hedgehogs. Discussing changes that happen in your life. Preparing for transition into Reception and Year 1. Visiting new class rooms and meeting teachers.

Healthy schools week. Talking about healthy and unhealthy food and keeping fit and active.

Phonics

Reception: Phase 3 revise reading and writing vowel digraphs and tricky words. Introduce phase 4.

Nursery: Oral blending and segmenting of cvc words. Beginning to represent some initial word Sounds.

Enrichment activities

Dance Leopards Thursday mornings
Dance Tigers Tuesday mornings
PE:
Entry point: dressing up as pirates on Wednesday 7th June
Scooter training