

This week EYFS will be learning about ...

Welcome back! This term we will be learning about Polar Lands as well as looking at a contrasting hot country (Kenya) and finding out more about China when we learn about Chinese New Year.

Literacy: The story, 'Each Peach, Pear Plum'.

We will be:

- Learning some of the Nursery rhymes mentioned in the story and performing them.
- Talking about the meaning of some of the nursery rhymes mentioned in the story.
- Identifying and naming familiar characters within the story.
- Looking at and identifying rhyming pairs.
- Finding out about the 'olden days' and discussing what has changed and what has stayed the same.
- Listening to a range of Fairy Tales/Traditional Tales that are mentioned within the story. Eg. Cinderella, The Three Bears.

You might want to:

- Help your child to practise retelling the story in their own words – you could create your own stick puppets to help with retelling the story.
- Read other books, both fiction and non-fiction, related to Polar Regions.

Phonics:

- We will begin learning the following set 2 sounds:
ay – May I play?
ee – What can I see?
- We will continue to practise correct letter formation.
- We will be learning to write the correct set 2 sounds independently.
- We will be consolidating our phonic knowledge during both guided and 1:1 reading.

You might want to:

- Practise saying the sound of each of the set 1 and set 2 sounds/special friends.
- Read your school reading book daily and spot these new sounds
- Use crayons, sand, chalk or paint to practise forming the letters correctly.
- Blending the sounds learnt to say or read 2 and 3 letter words.
- Spot tricky words that have been taught.

Mathematics:

We will continue our Unit 'Alive in 5!' We will:

- Subitise 0 to 5
- Represent 0 to 5
- Investigate 1 more and 1 less
- Look at composition of these numbers
- Conceptual subitising to 5.

Books to Support this Unit:

- None the Number by Oliver Jeffers
- Zero is the leaves on the tree by Betsy Franco
- Anno's Counting Book by Mitsumasa Anno
- I Spy Numbers by Jean Marzollo
- The Ugly Five by Julia Donaldson
- Five Small Stars by Elizabeth Matterson and Madge Bugden
- Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson

Understanding the world:

- Learn about seasonal change i.e. Winter.
- Take a Winter walk - looking for signs of Winter.
- We will find out how people in the past did their washing, based on our literacy story, 'Each Peach, Pear, Plum'.
- We will compare a range of old and new toys and discuss the similarities and differences.
- In science we will investigate what materials are waterproof.

Expressive arts and design:

- We will learn and perform a range of Nursery Rhymes.

PE:

PE will continue to be on a Friday this term. Please ensure that your child comes in their full PE kit on this day and has a water bottle in school as well as all jewellery removed.