

WAYS YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHILD

As well as completing the tasks in the Home Learning Journal, we always appreciate any help you can give in supporting your child's learning in a number of ways:

- Looking in your child's home school contact book and book bag daily
- Completing any tasks or activities that are in the Home Learning Journal
- Asking your child to help with jobs around the house
- Listening to them read or sharing a book together
- Providing plenty of outdoor and indoor play, and early nights!
- Making sure they have their PE kit in school every day
- Visiting places that interest your child, you can add photos and other information to the Home Learning Journal too!
- Using mental maths by singing counting songs, counting as high as your child likes to go and back down again, adding on to a number or set of objects, or taking away
- Listening to tapes or CDs of stories, songs and rhymes (and even times tables) in the car to practice singing and to develop skills in listening
- Sounding words out to build them up e.g. m-a-t or bl-a-ck
- Discussing the time with your child - it is day / night, it is 7pm that means time for bed.
- Involving them in preparing meals e.g. making toast together
- Involving them in shopping trips e.g. making a list and having experience with money

You are always welcome to contact the school should you have any questions about your child's learning.



Swans and Ducks

Learning Leaflet

Summer Term 1 2019

Desiree and Michael

During the first half of the Summer Term our learning will be inspired by the topic 'Did Dragons Exist?' Learning experiences will be planned in order to develop understanding of the world around us.

Literacy

- We will be studying fiction books; specifically traditional fairy tales.
- We will be retelling parts of the stories we share.
- Children will sequence what happens and write sentences using visual coding.
- We will also look at nonfiction texts to understand making labels for a castle.
- As a group, we will be making a display and exhibition about dragons.
- We will create a list of ingredients for dragons eggs and practice following instructions to make these.

Maths

- We will continue to develop our understanding of number. We will order numbers as well as looking at ordinal numbers. We will take part in activities and use the ordinal numbers to position ourselves.
- We will look at the values of coins and practically use these in play and activities.
- We will explore symmetry in shapes.

Science

- We will identify and name a variety of plants and trees. We will use scientific vocabulary to label the different parts and use what we have learnt to grow our own.

PSHCE

- We will be talking about our feelings and how we can recognise these feelings as well as developing strategies for helping us to regulate.
- We continue to develop our understanding of sharing, turn taking and including our friends in our play.

RE

- We will be exploring special people and special places, exploring places of religious significance.

PE

- In PE our focus will be on dance and creating different movements and linking these together to create a collaborative 'knight dance'

Music

- This term, we will be exploring instruments and using symbols to represent early notation.

Trips and Special Events This Term

- We will be going swimming every other week.
- We will be visiting different homes and some historical buildings such as Hatfield house.

Topic

- We will investigate castles and the different structures people have lived in.
- We will compare our lives with those of a king or queen and design and make a castle out of different materials.