

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 numbers.
- Listening to tapes or CDs of stories, songs and rhymes (and times tables) in the car to practice singing and to develop listening skills.
- 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 it is 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 experiences in dealing with money.

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



Ducks and Swans

Learning Leaflet

Autumn Term 2019

Desiree and Clarissa

During the first half of the Autumn Term our learning will be inspired by the topic 'Why do ladybirds have spots?' Learning experiences will be planned in order to develop understanding of themselves, those close to them, and their world.

Literacy

- We will be learning about a range of narrative texts related to our topic 'Why do ladybirds have spots?'
- We will also be learning about stories with predictable phrasing such as 'The Very Busy Spider' and 'The Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle.
- As part of our non-fiction we be learning to write labels, captions and lists.
- We will discuss and create cyclical diagrams linked to science e.g food chains and life cycles.
- We will be developing our mark making and early writing skills.

Maths

- We will be learning about numbers and the numbers system, operations, and the relationships between them, mental methods, solving numeral problems, and written and calculator methods.
- We will be focusing on position, movement and pattern in Shape Space and Measure.
- We will be learning about types of data handling.
- We will be developing our using and applying skills across all areas of maths.

Science

- We will be working scientifically and learning how to identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats.
- We will learn to describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name the different sources of food.

PSHCE

- We will be learning about 'Being Healthy'.
- We will learn about appropriate clothing to wear when exercising / swimming etc.
- We will develop an understanding of the importance of personal hygiene and washing our hands, thinking about germs etc. We will also look at oral hygiene, brushing teeth etc.
- We will have a 'healthy snack week in class'.

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- We will be learning about 'Thanking God for Nature'.
- We will be learning how to use our imaginations and curiosity to develop our wonder of the world and ask questions about it.

PE

- We will be exploring circuits using directional language in PE.
- We will be learning simple 'dance' routines.

Music

- We will be exploring different sounds in music.

Topic

- We will be developing our ICT skills and learning to programme floor robots.
- We will be learning about mixing colours and collage in art. We will also create mini-beast puppets in DT.

Trips and Special Events This Term

- We will be going swimming every other week.
- We will be having a 'Mini-beast' visit in school.