

RJ Curriculum Newsletter Summer 2024



Mrs Gell

Welcome to RJ

Welcome back, we hope you have had a lovely break! We are looking forward to an exciting term with lots of learning opportunities. This term we will begin our topic 'Under the Sea'. We have been so pleased with how well the children have settled back into class after the break. If you have any concerns or questions please come and speak to us.

Don't Forget:

Please complete topic homework, this homework is designed to help you enhance your child's learning at home. Please continue to read with your children at least three times a week and sign their diaries. PE will continue to take place on a Friday.

Communication & Language

This term the children will be retelling a familiar story, trying to retell the story in the correct sequence. The children will hear the story of 'Tiddler' by one of our favourite authors 'Julia Donaldson'. The children will learn to retell this story in their own words and also identify different rhyming words in this story. During literacy we will also explore non-fiction stories about sea creatures and the children will learn to use new vocabulary.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term the children will be learning about factors that support their overall health and wellbeing. The children will be exploring possible hazards at school and at home and discussing ways that help them to stay safe. The children will be encouraged to recognise hazards independently and understand who they can go to ask for help.

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Our topic is 'Friendship' and 'Special Places.' The children will hear how Jesus taught us to be good friends and how Christians are friends of Jesus. The children will learn about special places of worship including, the Church, Mosque and the Temple.

Physical Development

The children will explore the use of different balls and different ways of moving them e.g. patting, rolling, throwing. They will play games to help them gain confidence in these skills. The children will also continue to develop their fine motor skills while mastering how to control letter size and keep writing within the lines.

Literacy

The children will read and write about the stories 'Shark in the Park' and 'Tiddler'. The children will learn new vocabulary and learn about different types of sea creatures. All children will be writing words or sentences linked to this fantastic stories. The children will continue to use their Phonics knowledge within their reading and writing in literacy and will apply their knowledge of the digraphs (two letters that make one sound). We look forward to seeing more beautiful writing this term.

Mathematics

The children will learn to double, halve and share amounts using objects. With lots of rehearsal the children will begin to recall doubling and halving facts by heart. The children will begin to write numerals on squared paper in preparation for Y1. The children will also explore odd and even numbers and compare these numbers. The children will continue to copy and create repeating patterns using objects, drawings and pictures.

Understanding the World

This term the children will learn about life under the sea and how we can help to protect animals. The children will draw their own maps of seaside places and draw simple information from maps while going on a treasure hunt. The children will also be exploring different places of worship and discussing how different places are special to members of their community.

Expressive Arts & Design

This term the children will use their skills for attaching materials to create different junk models. The children will work collaboratively and share their ideas to make joint pieces as well as individual ones. The children will use recycled materials to create junk model sea creatures which will support their learning about 'Under the Sea' and how to keep the ocean clean.