



Spring term

Welcome back! We hope you all had a relaxing Christmas holiday.

Our Topic



This term our learning topics will be **Traditional Tales and Amazing Africa.**

Maths

This term we will be introducing zero, comparing numbers and looking at the composition of 5, 6,7,8,9 and 10. We will look at combining two numbers together. We will learn more about pattern, capacity and mass, and 3D shape.



Communication and Language

We are continually developing our listening, understanding and speaking skills through carpet and circle time activities.

Understanding the World



This term we will be learning about seasonal changes, especially Winter and hibernation. We will explore freezing, sinking and floating. We will be learning about different habitats around the world. We will be comparing life of a child living in Africa with our own lives.

Physical Development

We will be continuing to work on developing our gross and fine motor skills. This includes-

Correct letter and number formation and scissor skills.

Self-care skills – toileting, hand hygiene, dressing and undressing.



PE

Our P.E day will return to **Friday**. PE sessions will take place in the hall this half term. This half term we will be focusing on DANCE. Next half term we will be developing our ball skills

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

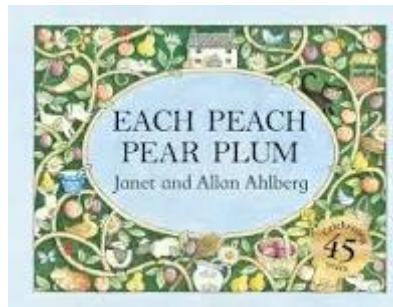
This half term we will be thinking about Relationships (missing a special person) and Changes and Transitions (staying in hospital and parents splitting up). Next half term we will learn about staying healthy (looking after our teeth, bedtimes, healthy screen time and healthy food choices)



Literacy

We begin the half term exploring a range of traditional tales. We will continue learning our phonics sounds using the Read Write Inc programme. As the term progresses children will take part in a daily guided reading session.

We will be encouraging the children to begin to write words and short sentences using the sounds learned so far.



Expressive Art and Design

This term we will be extending our art skills. We will be looking at still life pictures and will be making our own still life pictures in the style on Cezanne. Next half term we will be making our own fruit salads. In music we will be listening and responding to music and learning new songs and rhymes.

R.E

Our RE topic this half term is *Why is the word God important to Christians?* We will be finding out Christian beliefs about God and how Christians worship God. We will learn about the Creation story and how God wants Christians to look after his world. Next half term we will be thinking about Easter and considering why Christians make Easter Gardens.

Home Learning

All the Reception children are making progress with their reading. This term we will change reading books on a **Tuesday and Friday**. Please remember to write in your child's reading log when they have read so we know that they have finished with the books sent home. It is important that you hear your child read daily.