Reception Class Spring Term cebruary-March 2018



Dinosaurs

This half-term our topic is 'Dinosaurs'. We will also be learning about Spring and baby animals, with the children looking after chick eggs. We will be covering the following:

Communication, Language & Literacy:

- Speaking and listening skills; joining in with familiar stories and rhymes.
- Phase 3 phonics; oral blending and segmenting; using phonics to write simple words and captions.
- Labelling dinosaurs; writing Mother's Day and Easter cards.
- Exploring syllables and rhyming words.
- Non-fiction books; asking and answering questions.
- Reading tricky words and familiar words; using phonics to read simple words; shared and guided reading.

Mathematics:

- Number rhymes and songs.
- Simple subtraction; counting back from a given number.
- Exploring ways of making a given number; simple problem-solving.
- Doubling and halving; counting in twos.
- Measuring using non-standard units; estimating and recording length.
- Recognising coins to 10p; counting 1p coins; playing shopping games.

Understanding of the World:

- Dinosaurs naming, describing and sorting.
- What comes out of an egg?
- Life-cycle of a chick.
- Festivals Mother's Day; Easter
- Spring seasonal changes; signs of new life; baby animals.
- I.C.T. Developing mouse control; using simple tools to create pictures; programming bee-bots; using simple cameras and remote-controlled toys.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development:

- Self-help skills and independence; making choices.
- Caring for the world we live in; looking after animals.
- Sharing and helping others
- Looking after our Mums; what makes our Mums so special?

Expressive Arts & Design:

- Songs and rhymes; acting out familiar stories.
- Drawing; model making; exploring dinosaur patterns; collage using different materials.
- Exploring colours and colour mixing; painting and printing using different objects.
- Exploring ways of joining things together.
- Role Play Space station; Chinese Take Away; Flower shop

Physical Development:

- Use of simple tools scissors; rolling pins and cutters; glue and sellotape.
- Outdoor play using bikes & trikes; use of climbing apparatus; small bats and balls; bean bags; hoops.
- Developing independence with dressing and self-help skills.

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

<u>- P.E.-</u>



All classes will have P.E. on a Monday.

<u>- I.C.T.-</u>



The children will visit the I.C.T. suite during the week.







Don't forget to join us for our 'Stay and Play' sessions Friday mornings until 9.20 a.m.

Helping at Home





-Reading Books-



Please listen to your child read *EVERY* night and sign their Reading Journal.

Books will be changed on <u>Mondays</u>, <u>Wednesdays</u>, and <u>Fridays</u>.

* Don't forget to practise the letter sounds and tricky words with your child.*

-Maths Challenge-





A new challenge/activity is set each week for you to do at home with your child.

Please sign the Reading Journal when completed.

If at any time you have any queries, please do not hesitate to come and speak to us.



Please remember that school finishes at 3.00 p.m. and to collect your child on time