

This term

This term we will be learning about heroic helpers. We will be going to the Fire Station. If you, or someone you know, works in the Emergency Services, and would be prepared to talk to the children, we would be very grateful to hear from you.

Please make sure that your child has a pair of wellies in school everyday.

Reception

Term 3

Heroic Helpers!

Reading

Your child may start to bring a reading book home. We appreciate your comments in the reading record book. Please continue to sign when you have heard your child read. The reading book and record book needs to be in school every day as we hear the children read during the day.

British values

We will continue to promote the children's independence and focus on collaboration and teamwork.

Mathematics

As well as continuing and extending number recognition, formation and sequencing, we will be focussing on the concept of 'more than' and 'less than'. To do this we will play games using dice, board games and small toys, encouraging the children to add on and take away from certain numbers. Any number work or games that you can play at home will help your child enormously at school, especially with turn taking and sharing.

Our other numeracy topic this term will be time. This will involve the use of vocabulary such as 'yesterday', 'tomorrow', 'next week' etc, as well as naming the days and simple familiar times of the day. School starts at 9 o'clock, snack time is at half past 10, lunch at 12 o'clock and so on. It would be extremely helpful to your child if you could also begin using this kind of terminology at home, to familiarise him/her with the language and concepts involved. Perhaps you could point out any clocks you have at home, and ask your child to tell you which number the short or long hand is pointing at.

Finally, the concept of money is something children find difficult. Shopping using 'real' money and saving up for something special will help them with coin recognition and their relative values.

Phonics

We will be teaching the following letters and sounds. Dates may vary from class to class.

Week 1	j	v	w		My
Week 2	x	y	z	zz	Be/she/ he/
Week 3	qu	sh	ch		we/me/
Week 4	th	ng			Was/ you
Week 5	Revision				

Topic books

If you have any books on the Emergency Services or Superheroes we would love to be able to share them with the class. Please name everything!

Dates

Visit to the Fire station

We are going to the Fire Station on Tuesday 23rd January (AM). If you would like to volunteer to help, please see your class teacher.

PE

Saplings – Monday

Acorns – Wednesday

Library

Saplings – Thursday

Acorns - Friday