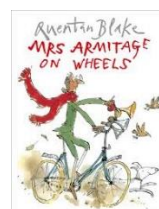
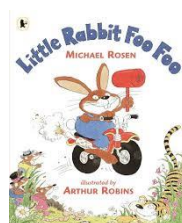
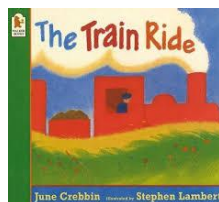
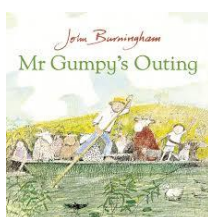
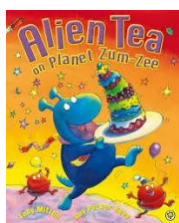


Spring 1 2024 - Foundation Stage Curriculum Newsletter.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here is an overview of what your child will be learning this half term across the different areas of learning. Our topic for the first half of the Spring term is called **'I wonder how that moves?'**. The topics we choose are led by the children's interests and usually encompass several areas of learning. For this reason, the topics may change to reflect the direction the children wish to take their learning.

Each week we will be taking on a different theme using the following books as part of our week's main focus:



In Literacy we will be exploring texts in our Drawing Club which focuses on pencil control, new vocabulary, writing short captions and developing language and imagination.

We will continue to learn more sounds in phonics focusing on digraphs, blending for reading and segmenting for writing simple words. We will introduce new tricky words and practicing spelling the ones we already know.

In Maths we will be looking closely at representing 4 and 5. We will introduce numbers 6,7 and 8 and look at conceptual subitising these amounts. Our maths work will all be practical where we get the chance to talk about what we see and how we see it when looking at different amounts and physically move objects around to understand how larger amounts are made from smaller groups.

Our measuring focus will look at comparing weight with balance scales and look at comparing capacity.

In Personal, Social and Emotional development we will focus on following 2 step instructions and to stay focused during longer inputs. We will have activities that support working in a group and taking turns. We will focus on road safety and how to be safe when out and about in the village with a grown up.

In 'Understanding the World' we will look at how boats, cars and trains have changed over time. We will talk about members of our community who help us - firefighters, doctors, nurses and police officers.

We will look at who celebrates the Chinese New year and how. Our science focus is looking at winter

Our Physical development focus will continue with building strength in both fine and gross motor actions. We will continue to focus on holding our pencils with control to help form letters correctly and write our names correctly. We will focus on using zips when putting on coats and putting on hats and gloves independently.

In P.E we will focus on balance, jumping and landing and simple ball skills

In Expressive arts and design we explore different techniques for joining (glue stick, cellotape /masking tape and runny glue) when making vehicles. We will look colour mixing, what colours are needed to create new colours and how to use the mixing palettes.

In music we will explore moving to different tempos and making sounds at different speeds.

We will send home a library book to share with your child as well as their reading book. Please continue to share their reading books and practice the sounds and tricky words in the sound bag. We will include a sticker in your child's Home School Book giving a brief outline of the activities that they have explored that week

Please check the Home School Books daily and please use them to communicate with us or email us on.

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We will respond to emails as soon as we can during school hours. If you have any questions or need any support please do not wait until parents evening. We are always here to help.

Thank you

The Foundation Team

