

Nursery Newsletter

Middleton Parish Church School

Spring 2 2023

Phonics

This half term in phonics, we are going to be looking at the rhythm of words and clapping out the syllables found within a word. We will be using our robot arms to sound out words to begin to introduce the children to the skills of blending and segmenting. We will also be introducing a sound a week in class. Look for opportunities to find things around you that have these sounds at the start.

Literacy

We will be using Superheroes to inspire our learning across the curriculum as this was requested by a lot of our children. Our book choices will be reflected in this and if you think of any books we might want to visit in class please be in touch.

Understanding the World

Spring is here.

This half term we will be starting to plant our seeds and start our growing in the School garden. We will be looking at how to look after the plants and how to encourage them to grow. If you want to grow things at home then please let us know and send any pictures into school. We can't wait to get stuck in and get dirty planting new flowers and vegetables.



Outdoor Shoes

To ensure all children can engage fully in our outdoor provision, we ask that each child has a pair of wellies that are left in school. Can you ensure your child has a change of clothes in school please. We store these on their pegs for those mucky days.



Reading

Story time

At the end of every day, we all participate in a class story time. This is a wonderful end to a busy day and provides a calm transition from school to home. Story time is an important aspect of our reading curriculum and is a vital aspect of developing young children's language skills.

Reading Books

Children will be sent home a book each week. This usually takes place on a Monday and we encourage you to share the book with your child so they become familiar with the story. The idea is to enjoy the book together pointing out the main parts and pictures as you read. Allow your child to handle the book and turn the pages, and track the words with your finger for a few pages to show the directionality of the text. You can ask children what might happen next and follow any interests that come from reading the book.

Children will have the choice on a Monday to change their book with others we have in class. They can always keep the same book for more than one week if they are enjoying it. We recognise that sharing books is key to new development and learning so encourage adults to take time and read together with their children.

Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Mr Lloyd or any nursery staff please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is

nursery@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc you can email the school office.

The school office email is

office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional well-being and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is

Eandl@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Class Clinics

This half term, there will be a class clinic which will give you the opportunity to ask questions or discuss any concerns you may have. Any links will be posted on the class dojo page a few days prior to each of these dates.

Outdoors

Every Thursday we have Forest School and have many adventures outside.

Please ensure children have spare clothes. We store spare clothes on their pegs and it helps especially on wet days.

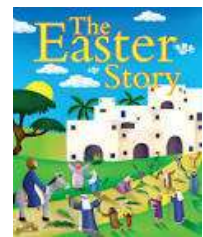
Heartsmart

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Don't rub it in.' In this topic we are thinking about how we can be good friends and the importance of including everyone.



Religious Education

In R.E. we are looking at stories Jesus told and Easter. We will continue to explore parables and begin to learn the Easter story.



Maths

In maths this term we are looking at capacity and size. We will be emptying and filling lots of different containers and pots using water and sand. We will be asking whether something is full or empty and using terms such as bigger and smaller, taller and shorter. You can join in at home as there are so many possibilities to explore at home, outside or in the garden.

Continue to show your children numbers that they find around them when you are out and about so they become confident in recognising numbers to 10.