

Reception Newsletter

Middleton Parish Church School

Spring 2 2022

Phonics

This half term in phonics, we are going to be completing our phase 3 phonics learning and consolidating all the learning we have done so far this year.

We will be learning our final set of digraphs, **oi** and **er**, and our last set of trigraphs **air** and **ear**. We will be reading and writing words, captions and sentences using all the sounds, high frequency words and tricky words we have learnt so far.

Literacy

In Literacy, we will be using a different book each week or two to inspire our learning across the curriculum. As it is Shrove Tuesday in the first week, we will begin with 'Mr Wolf's Pancakes.' We will also be reading non-fiction books about life cycles as well as poems.

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. These will be used for daily outdoor access and during Forest School sessions. Ideally, we ask that both wellies are clearly marked with your child's name.



Understanding the World

This half term we will be learning all about how things grow. We will be planting seeds and observing their growth, as well as discovering what happens to caterpillars as they grow and even caring for some special animal visitors! We would love to create a display showing how we have all grown. If you have any photos of your child as a baby or toddler, which you would be happy for us to display for the half term, please send them to school with your child. Thank you.



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 and GOREad!

Children will continue to bring home two reading books. One of these will be closely matched to the current phonics teaching and learning, and one will be more familiar and will revisit past phonics teaching and learning. These books should come into school and back home each day to maximise reading opportunities. Your child will also bring home 'tricky words' to practise and cards for each new phoneme that is taught.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GOREad in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words or phonemes can be added on GoRead.



Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Mrs Briggs, Miss Hoyle or Mrs Jenkins, please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is

reception@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

EandI@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Class Clinics

This half term, there will be two opportunities to ask questions or discuss any concerns you may have. The class clinics will take place on 16th March and 13th April. Zoom links will be posted on the class dojo page a few days prior to each of these dates.

P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School is on a Thursday for EYFS. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Thursday and have their wellies in school ready to use.

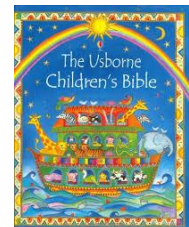
PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Don't Rub It In, Rub It Out.' 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 will be consolidating some of our learning from the year so far, focusing on the following areas:

- Continuing, copying and creating repeating patterns with two or more elements
- Recognising and recording numerals to 10 and beyond
- Looking at the composition of numbers up to 10 and finding pairs of numbers that add up to a total – these are called number bonds, e.g. 3 and 1 makes 4, 2 and 3 makes 5, 4 and 6 makes 10
- Finding 'one more' and 'one less' than a given number.