



Hazel Class

Summer Newsletter

April 2024

Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and enjoyed some quality family time together. We are all really looking forward to the start of the new Summer Term.



'What's on'

*Parent workshop: 2nd May 1:45pm (May day celebrations and Clogg Dancing)

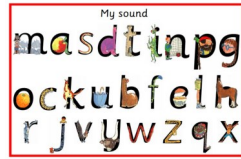
Topic

Our topic this term is 'The Zoo'. We will be finding out, What is a zoo? What animals live there? Where do they come from? What do they sound like? Who looks after them? We will do this through sharing stories, roleplaying, moving our bodies in PE and getting creative in art lessons.



Phonics

Dependent on your child's phonics group we will be either focussing on 'zoo animal' environmental sounds, Set 1 letter sounds, 'sh, r, j, v, y, w, th' or Set 3 sounds 'a-e, i-e, o-e, u-e, aw, are, ur. We will also recap all previously taught sounds and where relevant work on spelling, punctuation and grammar.



Maths

In maths we will be focussing on position and direction, where we will learn to give and follow directions by navigating around school and outside, completing obstacle courses and doing some orienteering! We will also learn about prepositions by positioning ourselves and our toys in different ways and playing games like 'eye spy'.



Science

This term we will be learning all about seasonal changes across the four seasons, Observing and describing weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies.



Literacy

Our focus this term is 'stories from other cultures' and we will be doing lots of learning activities around the books, 'Rumble in the Jungle' and 'Handas Surprise'. We will also be writing non-chronological reports about our favourite zoo animals and performing poems to our class. We will continue to visit the school library every Thursday, so please make sure books and reading diaries are in school bags on that day. Please aim to read with your child 3x per week and write it in their Reading Record book.

Important info

We have a pupil in Hazel class with a severe nut allergy so please do not send in any snacks for your child containing nuts.

Please continue to send in a snack for your child each day if you know they will not eat the free fruit provided by school.

Hydro and Rebound

Our rebound session will continue to be on Friday afternoons when we will be working on our physical targets. Hydro is on alternate Monday afternoons (please ensure that we have swimming kits every week, in case we have extra availability). On occasions we may need to cancel hydro due to staffing.

Interests

As well as having a topic to focus some of our learning we would love to gain your child's own ideas and interests and will take these on board when planning new learning opportunities and working on their next steps. Please let us know about any particular interests that they have.



Pause for thought

"What we learn with pleasure we never forget."

Alfred Mercier