

## Phonics

The children are becoming increasingly confident readers, identifying 'special friends' in the words that they read, as well as taking meaning from the short sentences they read. The children are learning common exception words. The children are grouped by their reading level and take part in phonics every day - please speak to your child's class teacher for more information about this.

## Personal, Social and Emotional

### Development

The children are becoming skilled turn takers and continue to develop their ability to play co-operatively with their peers. In our PSHE lessons 'Think Equal' we will explore a key text each week. They will learn about how to manage their own emotions and impulsive behaviours, build their confidence and self-esteem, have empathy and show consideration for others, solve problems effectively and learn to resolve conflicts peacefully. They also continue to build critical thinking skills and make responsible decisions.

### Handwriting

In our daily handwriting sessions we will focus very closely on the correct formation of each letter. We will also practise holding a sentence during this session.

These are the books we will be reading in English for 'Drawing Club' and 'Talk Through Stories'.



## Reception



### Curriculum Overview Summer 1

'Dinosaurs' and 'Under the Sea'

### Religious Education

In our weekly RE session we will cover two units of work. The first unit 'Special Books' looks particularly at religious and moral tales from Christianity and other world faiths. The second unit looks at 'Special Places'. There will be meaningful reflection on places they find special as well as places of worship such as churches, mosques, synagogues, mandirs and gurdwaras.

## Mathematics

This term we will continue to embed our number knowledge, counting daily, ordering numbers, matching numeral to amount and recognising simple shapes. The children will go on to learn how to count much larger sets, how we can subitise 6 by partitioning, the composition of numbers with "5 and a bit", composition of numbers to 10 and simple addition, sharing and grouping.

### Understanding the World

In our first exciting theme the children will become dinosaur adventurers. We will learn about who the dinosaurs were, what they ate, which other animals were alive at the time, and who discovered the dinosaurs. This theme has lots of opportunities to compare past and present. Our second theme will be 'Under the Sea'. Children will find out about a contrasting habitat, the ocean. We will learn about marine life as well as threats to the ocean and how we can all help to protect it.

### Expressive Arts & Design

The children will create a dinosaur piece of process art, using confident cutting skills. We will also refine our painting skills, with the use of watercolour paints. The children have daily opportunities to explore within the creative area, including junk modelling, painting and drawing.

### PE

PE will take place every Thursday. Please ensure a full kit is in school for our lesson.