

EYFS Curriculum Newsletter

Summer Term 1

Week beginning: 16th April 2018

This half term our topic is 'People Who Help Us'

As Readers we will be looking at the story 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'. We will be retelling the story using actions and storytelling language as well as writing shopping lists, instructions and labels. In our Phonics work, we will be recapping Phase 3, looking at the sounds j,v,w,y,x,z,zz,qu,sh,ch,th ,ng,ai,ee,igh,oa,oo,ow,or,er,ur,ure,air. Your child will continue to bring home a school reading book each week. Please encourage your child to sound out each word and blend the sounds together. You can also look through the book with them, talk about the characters, what is happening in the pictures and record this in their reading records.



As Writers Reception children will be continuing to learn how to form letters correctly in order to write a variety of words to form simple sentences. Children have access to writing resources in the writing area and will be encouraged to practise their letter sounds. We will be using a variety of mark making tools such as crayons, chalk, pencils, felt tips, paint etc to do this.

As Mathematicians Reception children will continue to develop their skills in estimating, counting and ordering numbers to 20 and beyond. We will be looking at ways to find one more and one less than a number as well as looking at adding, subtracting, halving and doubling. We will continue to use positional language and introduce everyday language linked to time.



As Scientists we will be looking at the properties of everyday materials including how they look and feel. We will be encouraging the children to decide on which material is best suited for a particular purpose and why. We will also briefly look at floating and sinking as part of our coastguard investigations.

As Explorers we will be talking about Grace Darling and how her work has influenced rescue at sea nowadays. The children will enjoy acting out different emergency scenarios in the Lifeboat Station roleplay area. We will also be looking in further detail at people who help us including coastguards, doctors, nurses and the police and fire services.



As Artists we will be looking closely at the colours and textures of the sea. We will be creating artwork using sand, stones, shells, paint and collage materials. We will be focusing on developing the children's cutting and sticking skills as well as their recognition of patterns.

PE lessons will continue to be on a **Wednesday** afternoon – this half term we will be learning how to play as a team and participating in a variety of games.



The Norfolk County Council Library Service has given us some exciting new books for the children to enjoy this half term. Every child will have the opportunity to take home a library book each week to share with you. We would like to invite parents/carers to come into school every week to change your child's library book. The classroom will be open from **3.00pm** onwards every **Monday** afternoon for you and your child to browse the selection of books and choose one to take home. This book will need to be returned before you can choose another the following week.

If there are any questions or concerns about your child's learning and progress do not hesitate to come and ask. Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Calaby