

Overview of learning for autumn 2 half term Foundation

This autumn term our focus is on a robust recovery curriculum to support your child in making rapid and sustained progress in school. Following on from the impact of Covid-19, we have created this guide to highlight the essential skills that will be taught and how you can support your child at home to reinforce the learning.

Subject area	Key skills we will be learning	Ideas to support at home
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Revisiting set 1 Read Write Inc sounds and introducing set 2 sounds to some children. ★ Sharing stories and talking about the main characters, the events, the setting etc. ★ Encouraging children to predict what will happen next in a story. ★ Share a variety of fiction/non-fiction texts. ★ Identifying the sounds in simple words, e.g. c-a-t. ★ Play games with red words – for example snap and matching pairs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☺ Websites ☺ Phonics Play - play the buried treasure game to support children's understanding of real and alien words (phase 2). ☺ Phonics Bloom - phase 2 games ☺ Phonics with Mrs Ravilious (Heronshaw school you tube videos) ☺ Oxford owl at home ☺ ICT games – sky-writer letter formation. ☺ Sound hunt – can the children find and identify different sounds, collect objects beginning with the letter s, m, p etc. ☺ Regular sharing of stories. ☺ Encourage children to listen for and identify different sounds both in and out the house – for example birds singing or the washing machine. ☺ Encourage children to identify the initial sounds in words in everyday life.
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Handwriting focus – continue to develop fine motor skills and begin to form recognisable letters. ★ Starting to use phonic knowledge to form CVC words. ★ Accessing lots of fine motor activities in our continuous provision. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☺ Encourage the development of fine motor skills through: ☺ Playing with play doh. ☺ Building with bricks or Lego. ☺ Forming letters in different materials such as sand, foam or rice. ☺ Practice writing their name.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Children will think like authors, thinking about how a character might feel, see, hear, taste and do in different places and situations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☺ Threading activities. ☺ Cutting skills- magazines, catalogues, leaflets etc. ☺ Drawing, painting, colouring, use of chalkboards/whiteboards etc. ☺ Dressing and undressing – managing zips, buttons, fastenings etc.
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Exploring numbers up to 10. ★ Finding one more and one less than a number up to 10. ★ Introduction to addition. ★ Introduction to subtraction. ★ Beginning to explore and discuss 2d shapes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☺ Practice counting – making sure the children carefully identify each object, count when going up or down stairs etc. ☺ Go on a shape hunt – what shapes can the children find? ☺ Ask children to find the total of 2 groups of objects. ☺ Ask children to identify which has more or less between groups of objects. ☺ Make some play dough, bake, lay the table etc. encouraging children to think about maths in everyday situations.
Non-core	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Children will have lots of opportunities to work with a variety of materials and resources in our creative area. ★ This half term we will thinking about celebrations including Bonfire night, Diwali, Christmas, family celebrations, and Remembrance Day. ★ Children will continue to explore all the different areas of learning in our continuous provision. ★ The children will be learning 3 winter dances ready to share with their families. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☺ Make your own Rangoli pattern (Diwali). ☺ Talk about a celebration you have in your family and share photos with your child. ☺ Encourage your children to remain active and spend lots of time outside. ☺ Sing songs with your children. ☺ Hold a teddy bear birthday party. ☺ Make cards for family and friends. ☺ Watch some cosmic yoga on YouTube.