

EYFS Parent Information

Autumn Term 2023



Dear Parents and carers,

We hope you have had an enjoyable and relaxing summer break.

General Information:

Please ensure your child's uniform and PE kit are **clearly named**. On your child's PE day, please ensure that earrings are removed for Health and Safety reasons or the children have tape in school.

Please ensure this is black shorts and white t-shirt or polo shirt and a pair of black plimsolls.

PE for each class will be on a Friday. Children need to have a P.E. kit, including plimsolls in school for this lesson. Please make sure all clothing is labelled.

Homework:

Reading - Daily reading from your child's weekly monster phonic book. Please sign in your child's reading record when this has happened. For children who need extra practise, precision grids will be sent home for identified graphemes and words the children need to know.

Maths - there will not be regular maths homework but games and activities on paper may be sent home for your child to practise certain skills.

Topic - some topic work may be given to be completed at home but this will be sent if and when required.

Where children are not keeping up extra practise might be given to minimise the learning gap.

We are encouraging the children to become more independent by following the 5Rs of readiness, resilience, resourcefulness, responsibility and reflectiveness, so please remind your child that it is their responsibility to do their homework and hand in their homework and reading records on time.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this booklet or have any other concerns about your child, do not hesitate to come and see us.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Vickers and Mrs Timothy.

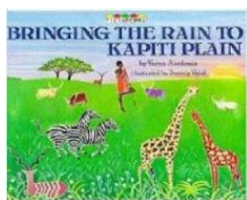
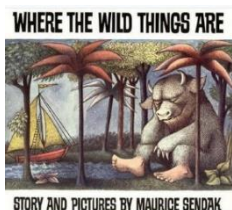
Below are details of what your child will be learning in school during this term.

During the first half term our Topic is: All About Me



English

We will be listening to the stories **Where the Wild Things Are** and **Bringing the Rain To Kapiti Plain**. We will be developing a new character for these stories. We will develop new vocabulary. We will be looking at non-fiction books about people who help us. We will also encourage learning nursery rhymes and finding rhyming words. The children will be introduced to the monsters from Monster Phonics and they will learn new phonemes as the term progresses. Your child will need to read every night at home. They will bring the same book home for the week so they become fluent readers.



	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4
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Maths

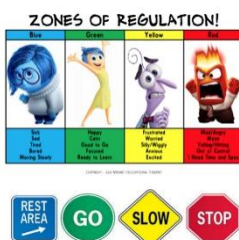
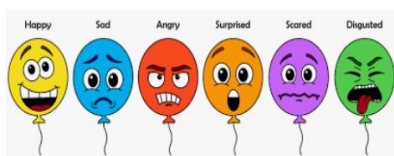
We will be developing the children's knowledge of number. We will start by learning to count using one to one correspondence. We will learn to write the numerals using the correct formation. We will begin to understand patterns and create patterns of our own. We will sort different objects according to size, colour or shape. The children will learn the vocabulary of more, less, greater than and less than. Through their play they will be encouraged to compare objects using size, mass and capacity. We will learn to subitize numbers to 5. We will also learn to count backwards from 5 then 10.

Subitising to 5

Say and write how many you can see without counting.

Personal and Social

We will be learning about ourselves and the emotions we have. The children will build new relationships and begin to express their feelings and consider the feelings of others. They will be encouraged to seek support from their peers. We will be asking the question What makes us unique? We will also learn how to keep safe in and around school. We will learn school rules and class systems which help things to run smoothly. We will also be changing for PE so please do practise at home, the children need to do this independently. The children will be able to identify what makes them amazing!



Physical

We will be developing the skills the children need to manage the school day, e.g. lining up, washing hands. In PE we will be learning to dance and move to music. We will be developing our core strength to develop good posture. We will also be developing fine motor skills by using play dough, threading and lacing and drawing. We will be drawing circles and vertical crosses. We will be developing our cutting skills so we can cut more accurately.



Knowledge and Understanding of the World.

Children will know about their own lives and how they have changed since they were a baby. We will be asking the children to recall special events in the lives. We will be learning that time as a pattern, e.g. day, week, month. We will be looking at the environment and the changes of the seasons. We will be making maps of their journey to school. The children will learn about the area they live in and their home address. We will also be learning about our own beliefs and those of others.



Expressive Arts

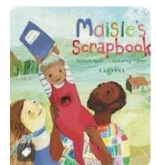
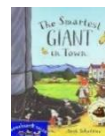
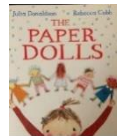
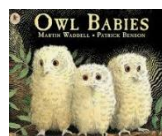
We will be developing stories with drama and role play. We will be colour mixing to complete self-portraits. We will be exploring different ways to make marks and we will be drawing pictures of our families. The children will be encouraged to play different musical instruments as well as using body parts for percussion. The children will also explore how they can change sounds using different instruments. They will be encouraged to join in with rhymes and songs.



Communication and Language

The children will understand the importance of good listening. They will be involved in daily story time and small chatter time groups. It is very important to talk with your child and be involved in their play at home. This encourages new vocabulary. They will be making predictions of stories and discussing different characters and settings.

Stories you may like to share at home.

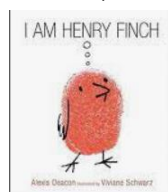
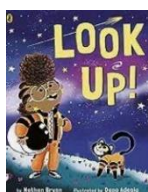


During the second half term our Topic is: We Love to Read (Gruffalo)

Date of any trips/visitors - Trip to Thorndon Park for the Gruffalo Trail - 7th November 2023

English

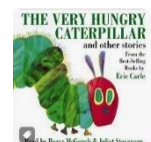
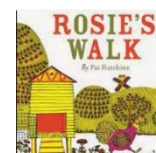
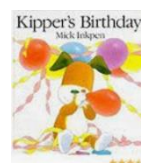
Children will extend their learning through the story 'The Gruffalo'. They will join in and retell the story. We will also focus on non-chronological reports using the stories **Look Up** and **I Am Henry Finch**. We will continue to develop their phonic knowledge through Monster Phonics and they will practice blending sounds to read. The children will be learning how to form the letters so they can write simple words and sentences. We also want the children to be able to write their own names using the cursive style.



WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10	WEEK 11	WEEK 12
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get, dog, can, got, on, not, cat	up, mum, put, had, oh, him, his, big, has	he, she, me, we, be, of	if, off, you, my, they, for	will, all, went, was, from, help	too, her, with, are, yes	then, them, that, this, said	
		ASSESSMENT 1					ASSESSMENT 2

Maths

Children will continue to develop their knowledge of numbers. Throughout the term we will be learning numbers one to ten. We will be using Numicon and number blocks. The children will be introduced to different shapes and will name and describe simple 2D shapes. They will be introduced to 1 more and 1 less using Numicon, counters, cubes and a number line. We will be using the stories Rosie's Walk, Kippers Birthday and Very Hungry Caterpillar.



Personal and Social

The children will be learning about emotions and identifying their own feelings socially and emotionally. We will discuss different emotions and how they can affect our mood and behaviour. We will be developing friendships and learning why we need rules. We will be learning the 5 ways to well-being - take notice, connect, give, get active and keep learning. They will also be learning how they can keep personally safe using the Pantasaurus from the NSPCC.



Physical

The children will be talking about keeping healthy and overall health and well-being including why it is important to get plenty of sleep. During PE we will be learning different ways to jump safely and move in a variety of ways. We will be creating different moving sequences. To develop fine motor skills, we will be drawing lines, circles, and shapes to create pictures. We will also refine using a knife and fork.



Knowledge and Understanding of the World

The children will be learning about different faiths and how people celebrate Christmas around the world. We will also be noticing the changing of the seasons. We will continue to look at weather patterns and seasonal changes when we visit the woods. We will be encouraging the children to look at similarities and differences between past and present. We will be looking at aerial photos of the area and we will learn that they are taken from the air. The children will be using the interactive whiteboard to engage in learning activities. They will learn how to log on to their chrome books with adult support.



Expressive Arts

The children will be learning new songs and rhymes to perform for an audience. They will be making Christmas decorations using collage, painting and modelling. We will be exploring with a range of mark making tools. We will also be learning how to join different materials and which join is best for their model. In music they will be experimenting making different sounds using a variety of instruments.



Communication and Language

The children will be engaged in story times across the day. They will take part in Chatter time discussions (small group discussions), topic related chats and issues which arise in class. We will learn to listen carefully and we will be developing the understanding of how and why questions. We will retell favourite stories and talk about different characters and events. We will continue to develop our vocabulary in all areas.

