

Beaconside Primary and Nursery School

Literacy

Letter sounds continue to be introduced at the rate of 1 per week. Children will start to recognise letters and the sounds they make and use this knowledge to read simple CVC words such as cat, dog, hat and pin. We will be playing Fred Talk games to introduce the children to segmenting and blending words and we will focus on rhyming words and syllables.

Summer Overview of Learning

Our topic this term is called 'All Creatures Great and Small.' During this term, we will continue to look at well known traditional tales about animals and use these stories to develop the children's understanding of building structures, capacity, following maps and animals and their babies. We will look at different environments that sustain a range of mini-beasts, visit a farm on our school trip and the children will be introduced to our on-site Forest School. We will be preparing the children for the transition into their Reception classes at the end of the school year.

Maths

We will be looking at positional language, more/fewer than, 2d and 3d shapes, number composition and what number comes next, what number comes after. In addition we will be looking at number formation. The children will be using their number skills to play maths games and make number lines.

Physical Development

- Continue to develop the children's fine motor skills through a variety of focussed and free choice activities.
- Support children to develop control with a pencil for writing.
- Continue to build on what we have already learnt during weekly PE lessons.
- Develop core skills through the use of large playground equipment.
- Develop an understanding of team games in preparation for Sports Day.
- Develop our understanding that exercise, sleeping and hygiene contribute to good health.

Communication and Language

- Support children to include a storyline or narrative in their play.
- Exploring a range of texts related to our topic such as 'The Billy Goats Gruff, The Three Little Pigs, Very Busy Spider, The Bad Tempered Ladybird to name just a few.
- Enjoy sharing lots of different books independently.
- Bringing books home to read and share with you.
- Develop the children's sentence structure through lots of opportunities to talk.

Understanding the World

- Use the Interactive Whiteboard to explore educational software.
- Observe and comment upon change in the weather and seasons.
- Celebrate traditional British festivals and those from other cultures; for example Father's Day.
- Looking at and comparing different habitats.
- By studying our environment children will have the opportunity to talk about things they have observed such as plants, insects, natural and found objects.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Develop an understanding of the difference between acceptable and unacceptable behaviour.
- Further developing co-operative play skills and turn taking through team games.
- Develop independence skills in readiness for the next phase of their education.
- Learn about the importance of personal hygiene including effective hand washing and cleaning our teeth.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Creating pictures for our displays.
- Learning new songs and rhymes that link to our topic.
- Making bridges using 'junk modelling'
- Using a range of natural materials to make pictures of mini-beasts.