



Reception Newsletter

Summer 1



Welcome back everyone! We hope that you had a wonderful Easter break – the children were so excited to share their holiday news with their teachers and friends 😊 This half term our topic is based around the theme of Superheroes.

Mathematics

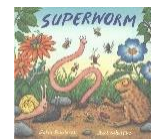
In maths, our focus will be numbers to 20 and beyond. During this phase, we will be learning about number patterns and recognition, ordering numbers to 20 and looking at how we can represent the numbers. We will continue to learn about the composition of numbers e.g 17 is made up of 10 and 7 more and explore number bonds to 10. The children will also look at estimating in relation to whether a group of objects is more or fewer than 10. We will also revisit addition and subtraction.

Towards the end of the term, we will look at spatial reasoning with a focus on rotating shapes and using Tangrams.



Literacy

We will be sharing a range of superhero stories and using our phonics knowledge to write speech bubbles, lists, labels, sentences and simple stories. Some of our key texts for this half term are Superworm, Superhero Hotel, Supertato and There's a Superhero in Your Book.



Little Wandle Phonics

We will reinforce all learnt phonemes and corresponding graphemes and continue to practise blending sounds to read words and segmenting words to spell them. You can continue to support your child's learning by regularly practising their grapheme recognition and reading. Please see your child's class teacher if you have any questions. You can also follow the Little Wandle links on our class page for more information.

Understanding the World

Superheroes are all around us! In school there are teachers, teaching assistants, cooks, lunchtime supervisors and outside school there are police, paramedics, doctors and religious leaders and many more. Each week, we will learn about a different real life hero in our community and will be visited by the Police Service, Fire Service and our School Nursing Team. We will learn all about their jobs and how they help us.

Extra learning

Attached you will find a selection of fun activities linked to our topic this half term. It is optional if you complete them but it is a great opportunity for you to be involved in your child's learning and have fun together. You could share using Tapestry 😊

Other

We welcome back Miss Hand, our teaching student based in Apricot Class. She will be with us until the end of June. We also welcome new teaching assistants, Mrs Davenport, who will be in school every Monday based in Apple class and Mr Howard, who will be supporting pupils across both classes throughout the week.

Physical Development

We will be continuing to think about the importance of exercise. We will be talking about healthy food and will have fun making our own health snacks. Our focus for PE is Manipulation and coordination. The children will be learning to send and receive a variety of objects using different body parts, work with others to control objects in a space and coordinate body parts in a range of different ways.

PSHE

Our focus for this half term is 'Relationships'. We will be thinking about friendships and ways of solving problems. We'll also be talking about managing our feelings and understanding the impact our actions can have on others.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 16th April – Police Service Visit (This may be cancelled if the officers are called to an incident)

Wednesday 1st May – School Nurse visit - teaching the children how to be super at brushing our teeth and washing our hands.

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday School closed

Tuesday 7th May – Fire Service Visit (This may be cancelled if the crew are called to an incident)

Wednesday 15th May – Class Photos

Friday 24th May – Break up for half term



Superhero Home Learning

| Communication, Language and Literacy | Maths (Number, comparing weights, heights and capacity) | Expressive Art and Design (Being creative!) | Physical (Healthy eating and keeping fit) |
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| Read your favourite superhero story. What did you like about it and why? | Create a city of tall and short buildings for your superhero to fly around. You could use Lego, building blocks, boxes, tin cans etc | Make a super hero vehicle out of junk modelling materials. Remember to give it some special features. | Superheroes are healthy and strong. Can you make a healthy snack fit for a superhero? |
| Draw and label your own superhero. What would their costume look like? Would they have any special powers or gadgets? | Choose 3 superheroes. Who is the shortest? Who is the Tallest? Can you put them into the correct height order? | Create your own superhero. You could draw, paint or make a model, it's your choice. | Superheroes are mega fit. How fit are you? How many star jumps/hops/ jumps/push ups etc can you do in 30 seconds? |
| What superhero would you be and why? Find out who your family would be and what special powers they would have. | How strong are you? Hold a toy in each hand, which is heavier? Which is lighter? Can you find 2 toys that weigh the same? | Think of your very own superhero story. You could act it out, use puppets or toys, draw it and then share it with your family. | Superheroes change into their costumes very quickly. How quick are you at getting dressed all by yourself? |
| Write a list of your favourite superheroes. | Superheroes are very good with numbers. How well do you know your numbers? Create a number line...how far can you go? | Superheroes have their own theme music. Can you create a theme tune for a new superhero? What different sounds can you make? | Fruit is a super healthy snack. Can you draw and label a fruit bowl? How many different fruits can you name? Can you make a fruit salad? |

