

Hurst Green Primary School

What are we learning this term in Reception?

Literacy

Little Wandle Phonics

In phonics this half term, we are continuing to consolidate the phase 2 and phase 3 sounds we have learnt this year. We are becoming more confident reading longer words by chunking them up. Our new phase 4 learning focuses on reading words containing a group of consonants as well as a vowel digraph or trigraph for example sport, green, toast. We are also recapping our tricky words, words that we can't sound out. If you would like a copy of these to practice at home, please do ask your class teacher.

I Am A Clever Writer

Our focus this half term is to independently write a sentence using a capital letter, finger spaces and full stop. The children should now be applying their phonics knowledge to spell many words correctly independently. We are continuing to think carefully about where letters start and placing them on the line.

Maths -

In our final half term, the children will be encouraged to develop a deeper understanding of number through practical exploration and play. We will use objects to build and break apart numbers, helping the children to understand how numbers are made. The children will also explore shapes, patterns and spatial awareness by creating models, following maps and describing positions. The children will be encouraged to link mathematical ideas together, spot patterns, compare quantities and apply their understanding in different contexts. These activities encourage problem-solving, mathematical language and confidence, helping children build strong foundations for their future learning in Year 1. Remember to look out for the "Concept Cat" wristbands the children wear home each Friday. Reinforcing key vocabulary at home helps to make new words engaging and memorable for children. Thank you for your support with this.

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Theme: We Are Explorers

Value:

P.E will continue to be on Friday and **Forest Time** on a Monday.

Reading

Please continue to read with your child at home. Reading books will be collected in on a Thursday to be changed, and new books given out on a Friday

Tapestry

Keep updated with what we are learning by using Tapestry. Remember to share home learning with us too!

Exciting Events!

Sports Day

Wednesday 17th June at 9:10am Parents are warmly invited to come to support their child at this event.

End of Year Assembly

You are invited to join us for our assembly in Wednesday 15th July at 2.30pm.

Transition

This half term, we will be preparing for our transition to Year 1. The children will have opportunities to visit their new classrooms, meet their Year 1 teachers, and take part in activities that help them feel confident and excited about the move. These experiences will support a smooth and positive transition into the next stage of their learning journey.

Understanding the World

Boris Bear will be helping us with our learning this half term by visiting different countries around the world and setting us exciting challenges. We'll be comparing holidays past and present. Over the next few weeks, we will explore a range of hot and cold countries, discover how to travel there, and learn about the different animals that might live in these places.

Exploring Art and Design

We will continue to practice and develop the skills we have learnt this year through various creative activities linking to our topic.

Physical Development

This half term, the children will develop their speed and agility skills through a range of team games. They will practise running, jumping and throwing skills and look for ways to improve their performance. This will support the children well as they prepare for their first Hurst Green

Computing

Through games, stories and practical activities, the children will now learn early programming skills. They will practise giving and following simple step-by-step instructions, sequence actions, spot mistakes and learn to understand that instructions need to be clear and in the correct order for them to work.