Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This term we will be exploring our own feelings and the feelings of others. We shall be exploring different emotions and how to manage these as well as thinking about different behaviour and right and wrong.

<u>ICT</u>

We will continue our weekly ICT sessions on a Friday afternoon. We will be exploring a range of different programs as well as interactive games and activities to help us with our maths, phonics and other areas of learning. We will also be making use of the school tablets to develop these skills further.

Expressive Arts & Design

This term we will be focusing on our drawing and musical skills, with reference to famous artists and musicians from the past. We will also be linking our art work to the children's aspirations of what they would like to be when they grow up.

We shall also be exploring what it means to be 'creative' with reference to stories, poetry and art.



Communication & Language/Literacy

This term we will then be moving onto a new topic of 'When I Grow Up' focusing on different occupations and the jobs we can do when we are older. We will be completing lots of fun activities around this topic both inside and outside our classroom, with special visitors too!

We shall be exploring, 'people who can help us' and how to stay safe in our environment including road safety and what to do in an emergency.



Mathematics

This term we are continuing to focus on our counting skills, including adding, subtraction and sharing. We will also be looking at 'money' and using our role play to support us with this.

This term we will also focus on learning how to tell the time using o'clock and will be completing time challenges to help us to understand this concept.



Physical Development

We will be continuing our PE sessions on a Monday and Tuesday with focus on Athletics and games this term. As the weather is warming up we will be using the playground and the school field to practice our skills in a bigger space. We will also be focusing on games and how we can work together as a team.



Understanding the World

This term we will be developing our 'Reception Garden' where we will be applying our knowledge of plants and flowers from Term 4.

We will also be exploring some of the amazing facts we learnt on our trip to Plumpton Farm by starting off with a week about 'farming' and farm life.

During this topic we will be exploring a range of occupations such as uniformed services, builders, musicians, artists, writers and many more..







Term 5

Welcome back, we hope you had a lovely Easter and a restful break!

Our new topic this term is 'When I Grow Up...' a lovely topic thinking about different occupations and about goals that the children might like to aim towards for their futures.

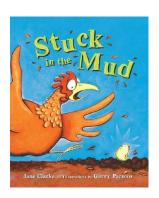
We begin our topic by looking at Farmers and caring for our environment and animals. This links in with our great Plumpton Farm trip. We will be exploring some of the amazing facts that we learnt, plus looking more closely at animals and their young.

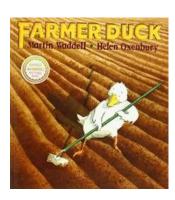
Some very special visitors will also be arriving in our class from the 2^{nd} May until the 12^{th} May - to be revealed soon!!

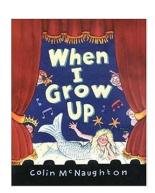
Following this, we will be focusing on workers in the emergency services and how we can stay safe, as well as jobs in creation, story and poetry writing.

We look forward to a busy but exciting term.

Key Texts this term:







Julia Donaldson Stories





Small Contribution

As the warmer weather is finally approaching, we are looking to adapt our outdoor area including our Reception Class garden. We will also be participating in cooking activities and fun experiences for the children outside. We would be very grateful for a voluntary donation of £1 per child to go towards funding this and purchasing new resources. Many thanks \odot

PE

Our PE sessions this term will be on a Monday and Tuesday. As the weather is slowly becoming warmer we will be going outside for some of our PE. Please make sure that PE kits are in school every day and are fully named. Plimsolls will also be required for outdoor PE.

Reading

Please make sure that you are reading as much as possible with your child at home. It clearly shows through their progress the children who have had lots of practise at home. Children will be read with by an adult in school as much as possible as well as guided reading group work and regular phonic sessions. We will also be continuing our buddy reading sessions with Year 6 on a Wednesday afternoon. Please write in your child's yellow reading record book when reading at home has been completed.

Useful websites to help your child at home:

Lots of these we use in class so the children will be experts!

Phonics - www.phonicsplay.co.uk (Phase 3 games and sounds)

www.phonicsplay.co.uk (Jolly Phonics Phase 3 song)

Literacy/Maths - www.topmarks.co.uk, www.ictgames.co.uk

Thank you for all your continued support

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