

Term 3 - Foundation Stage

2014-15

Physical Development

- ☺ Shows some understanding that good practices with regard to exercise food etc contribute to good health.
- ☺ Negotiates space, adjusts speed and changes direction.
- ☺ Travels with confidence.

Maths

- ☺ Measures short periods of time in simple ways.
- ☺ Use everyday language related to time.
- ☺ Uses the language of more and fewer to compare two sets of objects.
- ☺ Estimates how many objects and then counts them.

Communication and Language

- ☺ Extends vocabulary, by grouping and naming, exploring the sounds and meanings of new words.
- ☺ Listens and responds to ideas expressed by others in conversation or discussion.

Around The World

Personal Social and Emotional Development

- ☺ Explains own knowledge and understanding and asks appropriate questions interests and opinions of others.
- ☺ Confident to speak to others about own needs, wants, interests and opinions

Understanding of the World

- ☺ Enjoys joining in with family customs & routines.
- ☺ Looks closely at similarities, differences, pattern and change. Shows interest in different occupations and ways of life.
- ☺ Comments and asks questions about aspects of their familiar world, where they live and the natural world.

Literacy

- ☺ Continues a rhyming string.
- ☺ Gives meaning to the marks they make.
- ☺ Breaks the flow of speech into words.
- ☺ Continues a rhyming string.

Expressive Arts and Design

- ☺ Manipulates materials to achieve a planned effect.
- ☺ Chooses particular colours to use for a purpose.
- ☺ Initiates new combinations of music and gesture in order to express and respond to feelings, ideas and experiences.





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Welcome back. We are ready for another busy and exciting term.

Our theme for Term is **Around the World**



We will be looking at the cultures of different people and countries. This will involve knowing flags, customs, language, history, facts, weather, animals and food relating to different countries. If you have any resources that would be helpful for us to borrow (nothing too precious), please let us know.

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Christmas

Thank you again for all your cards, gifts and good wishes. They were very much appreciated. We were really proud of the children's performance which shows their growing confidence and performing abilities. Thank you for all your help with costumes. Our visit to St. Nicholas' Church was amazing and we thank them very much for all the hard work they put in to make it such a positive experience for our children.

Mornings

Now the children are settled into the morning routine, we ask that you let your child come in on their own and sort themselves out independently. There is sometimes a bit of a jam in the doorway and this doesn't help the flow into the classroom.

Library Visit

We are hoping to plan a visit to the local library at Allington and will advise you of details soon.

PE

Please bring back PE bags as soon as possible. We will not have PE on designated days. It would be a big help to practise getting dressed/undressed independently - especially tights!

Reports

We hope you were pleased with your child's report. Please return feedback as we use this to help inform our planning. If you have any concerns regarding the reports, don't hesitate to contact your class teacher.

Parents at School

As previously sent out, we will be inviting you into school for an afternoon. Details will be available next week so please check your child's book bag. We look forward to seeing you.

Key rings and dangly things

Many school bags have a growing number of key rings and dangly things which, I'm afraid, are really getting in the way as space is tight. If you choose to attach anything to the school bag, one small key ring is sufficiently useful in helping your child to identify their bag. Thank you.

Learning Books

We will soon be sending home your child's Learning Book as we think you will enjoy seeing the notes and photographs that demonstrate the range of activities and learning opportunities throughout the first two terms. We are going to make a big thing of this with the children so they will be very excited and proud to show you. Please, please take care of them as they are the result of a great deal of work - and then return them so we can add more!!

We are looking forward to a new term together and thank you for your ongoing support.

Wishing you and your families a very Happy New Year.

 The Foundation Stage Team 