



Spring 1

Our Wonderful World!



# Our Topic - EYFS

## Our World

Curious



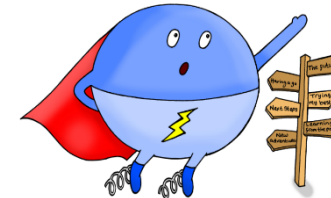
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## Literacy

### Reading

We continue to have a love of books in Early Years and this half term is no exception.

- We will be sharing our Core Texts, retelling them and talking about our favourite parts.
- We will use stories linked to finding out more about the world.
- Our Reading areas are cosy and the children will get chance to share some of the stories we have had already across Early Years.
- Reception children will be voting for their favourite story out of two at our Story Voting Area.
- We will be discussing authors and their important role in our lives.
- We will be sorting fiction and non-fiction books.

**Please share some photos of your favourite books or your story time at home with us on Tapestry.**

### Writing

- We will be really encouraging our children to hold their pencils in a comfortable and effective way and ensuring they are using Tommy Thumb and Peter Pointer fingers to help.
- We will continue to enjoy Dough Disco.
- Reception will begin to complete some formal handwriting using Nelson Handwriting scheme. A handwriting activity book has been sent home for you to support your child with this.
- Reception children are working on writing simple words to match pictures using their phonic knowledge.
- Nursery will be exploring mark making in a variety of ways.

### Phonics

- Nursery children will be beginning to blend sounds in words in their play as well as listening for the first sound in a word and trying to name objects beginning with this sound.
- Reception children will continue to learn new phonemes and graphemes following the Little Wandle Phonic programme.

## Maths

In Nursery we will be concentrating on saying, recognising and counting numbers to 5

- We will be sharing number rhymes
- Playing with shapes, measures and early mathematical language

In Reception we will continue to have maths activities and language in our play

- We will be introducing 0.
- We will be looking at numbers up to 10
- We will begin to explore how these numbers are made

We always enjoy Numberblocks so we will watch our Numberblocks wall grow and enjoy watching some episodes to support our learning.

## Communication and Language

This half term we will be talking about places we have been and want to visit using lots of new words. We will be using past and future tense in our sentences when talking about what we plan to do and what we have been doing in Plan Do Review.

We will be talking about travelling and how we get to places using the correct verbs such as riding a bike and flying on a plane.

We will continue to work on listening to each other in small and larger groups as well as listening to visitors to our classroom.

We will continue to work on our understanding skills, linked to stories.

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## Art and DT Week

This half term we will learn about Piet Mondrian and we will be exploring some of the techniques he used in our art work. We will be looking to design and create our own vehicles using the many different construction materials we have.

## Understanding the World

This half term our topic is called Our World!

We will be investigating different continents/places inking with a variety of stories and comparing these environments with where we live

We will be looking at how we travel to these places.

We will be exploring the languages in our class.

## Music

The Early years children will attend a weekly Piccolo music session. We will be putting some of our Piccolo rhythm, beat, tempo learning to the test in our music sessions in the class too.

## Computing

We will be using the Ipad to take photos of winter, refining our skills. We will use the remote-control cars to move around the space building on our work on direction. We will be using the CBeebies Little Learners app to find out more about the world.

## Spanish

We will recap our learning from Autumn term- saying hello, goodbye and saying our name. We will look at colours, numbers and how to say how old we are,

## PSED

We will be continuing to work hard with our skills in PSED. We will continue to work on our sharing and turn taking exploring the key questions of how can I play nicely with my friends.

We will continue to use the Zones of Regulation and we hope to recognise when we need help to regulate and how we can help others when they need help too.

We will build on our friendships, linked to our No Outsiders book- Red Rockets and Rainbow Jelly

## RE

We will revisit our celebration topic and learning more about the Lunar New Year.

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# Vocabulary

- Environment, climate, weather,
- Place, continent, language, country
- Nocturnal
- Destination, Transport, Exploration,
- Travel- fly, ride, drive
- Similar, Different, Compare

# How can I help?

We would love you to share your experiences with the children. If you have travelled to an amazing place, own an interesting vehicle or celebrate the Lunar New Year, please come and chat with staff about how and when you could share.

Keep sharing all the lovely things you do on Tapestry. It is a great way to start a conversation with a child to develop their language skills.

We love to junk model! Please send in any cardboard boxes, tubes, pots etc

**NO egg boxes, NO nut product boxes, NO medication boxes.**

Please ensure **ALL uniform is named**—this includes winter hats, gloves and scarves. We will try and return them to you if named.