# Curriculum Information to Parents EYFS Term 5+6 2021



## Personal Social Emotional Development

The final terms this year we will continue to encourage the children to build positive relationships with one another and support them to play cooperatively, taking turns, making decisions as well as discussing their ideas and taking each other's feelings into account. We will encourage children to talk and explain their choices. There will be a focus on supporting children to understand their own emotions and be sensitive to the needs of others. We will also begin to really develop their independence to prepare them for transition to the next Keystage.

## Communication Language and Literacy

In Literacy we will be focusing on stories about the human body, Supertato, animals and the world around us. Using these stories to inspire and encourage oral story telling meaningful mark making and writing. The children will work with their teacher to build their sentence writing, using the correct letter formation. We will continue to use Talk 4 Writing where they will adapt stories to make them their own versions as well as exploring non fiction genres such as fact sheets, recipes and letters.



#### Phonics

This term we will be teaching phonics in 5 ability groups. We will continue to follow the Read Write Inc. phonics scheme. Some children will be revisiting set 1 (single sounds) or set 2 (first set of vowel digraphs) while others will be learning new vowel sound. Please continue to read your children's school reading books at home to practice their phonics as well as sharing lots of stories and books with your child at home to foster a love of reading. Remember you have access to oxford owl for ebooks. Your children will now be writing using the phonics they have learned. Please praise and encourage them if spell words independently even if they use an unconventionally spelling pattern such as writing rayn instead of rain.



#### Maths



In Maths we will build our knowledge and understanding of numbers and place value of numbers to 20. Continuing to build strong counting skills and comparing groups with numbers to 20. We will focus on addition and subtraction, beginning to explore doubling and sharing. We will also continue to deepen our knowledge of numbers by looking at odd and even numbers.

In shape, space and measure we will be looking at spatial awareness, as well as looking at matching, rotating and manipulating shapes. We will also begin to explore mapping skills.

# Understanding the World

In Understanding the World we will begin by looking at the human body, naming and learning the purpose of different body parts and why it is so important to look after our bodies. We will move on to learn about people who help us with a focus on the emergency services. In term 6 we will focus on exploring the natural world around us. We will explore and compare different climates, investigate different animals, looking at mini-beasts in particular and different life cycles.

### Expressive Arts and Design

Throughout the learning environment we will continue to develop the use of a variety of tools and techniques through the use of painting, modeling and printing. We will encourage the children to plan and adapt their work. Our focus artist for term 5 will be Stephen Brown which will provide lots opportunities to explore colour. Through our role play areas and Small World resources the children will have the opportunity to develop their imagination, acting out narratives with their friends and create a storyline in their play.

The children always have access to musical instruments and we sing daily but they also have a dedicated music lesson on Wednesdays taught by Miss Ward.

# Physical Development

Our PE day will continue to be a Wednesday afternoon with Mr Gould. During these sessions we are hoping to be outside as much as possible, building the children's confidence with different pieces of equipment. As well as this we are hoping that a revamped outside area will provide many opportunities to develop gross motor skills. We will continue to enjoy learning playground games encouraging children to follow rules and play together. In Term 6 we will be practicing different activities in preparation for Sports Day!

Within the Early Years classroom we will continue to complete fine motor skills tasks that will help develop pencil control and letter formation. We will begin to think about and discuss things we do to keep healthy. Children will begin to dress and undress themselves as we change for PE in school.



#### Extra Information



Staffing - Miss Brown remains the Elephants class teacher and her baby is not due until September so she will be able to see out the year with her class before maternity leave. Miss A and Miss B have been replaced by Mrs Nash who has settled into the team with ease.

In Tigers class Mrs Brooke remains in class Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Miss Griffith replaces Mrs Toye on Thursday and Friday. Mrs Hession remains the class TA for Tigers class.

PE - remains on Wednesdays but from the start of term 5 the children will change in school so no longer need to wear their PE kit to school.

Reading - The children will continue to read to a school adult and change their book band book on the same day as before. Library books will be changed for everyone on Wednesdays. EBooks of an appropriate level have also been assigned to your child on oxford owl. You can access these at your leisure.