

# Spring 1 in Reception

## English

### Our 'Diet of Reading'



This half term we will be reading these books as our core texts which connect to our topic.

## Our Topic

# Winter Wonderland

## Maths

We will be learning to:

- Compare mass
- Subitise
- Find 1 more and 1 less
- Explore & compare capacity
- Find & represent 0, 6, 7 & 8
- Explore composition of numbers
- Make pairs (exploring odd & even)
- Double numbers to 8
- Combine two groups of objects
- Balance a scale

## Phonics

We will be learning to read and write the following sounds: **ai ee igh oa oo (as in zoo) oo (as in book) ar or ur ow oi ear air er dd mm tt bb rr gg pp ff**

We will learn to read and recognise these tricky words: **was you they my by are sure pure**

## The World

- Investigating melting
- Observing changes in state
- Documenting the weather each day
- Investigating what happens when you mix different things together
- Experimenting with separating mixed things with sieves
- Learning about the celebration of the Lunar New Year



## Community

This half-term we will be learning about what makes a good helper.

We will explore the need to follow rules, including the 'Golden Rule' of treating others as you would like to be treated. This topic introduces concepts of friendship & explores the way in which we care for our friends and families. The importance of caring for others in Christianity and Islam is demonstrated through storytelling. This helps children begin to develop an awareness of the wider world in which we live.

We will also be learning about people who help us.

## PSHE

We will be learning about settings goals & having dreams by:

- Understanding about perseverance when tackling challenges
- Reflecting on times we have achieved goals
- Setting a goal and working towards it
- Using kind words to encourage people
- Understanding the link between what we learn now & the jobs we might like to do when we're older
- Saying how we feel when we achieve a goal & know what it means to feel proud

## Communication

We will develop children's communication and language skills through teaching our core vocabulary linked to each key area of learning. We will send home information linked to this- it would really help your child to support them in integrating these words into their vocabulary.

## PE

## Past & Present

The children will be contributing to our learning journey to document our explorations through the half term and reflect on what they have been doing.

We will also learn about the Lunar New Year celebration.

## Arts & Music

### Art

- Exploring Kandinsky's artwork
- Identifying & mixing cold colours
- Creating collaborative art based on Kandinsky
- Creating artwork linked to Lunar New Year
- Experimenting with a range of different media

### Music

Our unit is called **Shake Your Sillies Out**. We will:

- Listen to music and show the beat with actions. Sing an action song with changes in speed.
- Play along with percussion instruments.
- Create a sound story using instruments to represent different animal sounds/movements.
- Perform the story as a class.

This half term we will be teaching the children to develop their understanding of playing **games** through the topic of transport. We will practice & develop fundamental movement skills through playing games, learning how to score and play by the rules, how to work with a partner and understand what a team is. We will also learn how to behave appropriately when winning and losing.

Children should come in their PE kits every Thursday.

**Please remember to label every item of clothing so we can find lost items easily.**