

SPRING (1) January 2020

This half term our topic is 'Keeping Healthy.' We will be learning about different ways to keep healthy including healthy eating, dental hygiene, exercise and keeping clean. To support this learning we will have a visit from the school nurse and dental health team.

To develop our understanding of other cultures, festivals and countries we will learn about how and why Chinese New Year is celebrated. We will also focus on the diversity of animals and fruit in Africa linking to the story of Handa's Surprise.

Phonics — we will continue with our daily Read Write Inc phonics sessions where we will learn new phonemes and diagraphs and continue to practise the key skills of segmenting and blending. We will start to apply the phonic skills taught by reading short texts in our phonic lessons.

In Maths, this half term we will be looking at the following topics: Naming and describing 2D shapes – children will count and describe sides and vertices. Recognising and combining coins – children will use 1p,2p and 5p coins to solve shopping problems. Combining 2 groups—children will begin to combine 2 groups to find how many altogether. Numbers bonds to 10 – children will explore number bonds to 10 using everyday objects, a 10 frame and the part-whole model. Adding more and taking away—children will use real objects to see that the quantity of a group can be changed by adding more or taking items away. Exploring Numbers to 10 – children will continue to apply key counting principles; represent numbers in different ways; and count out the required number of objects from a larger group.

This half term, we will focus on the story 'Handa's Surprise'. The children will continue to develop their independent writing skills, starting to include capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. The children will be given meaningful contexts for writing, including writing food orders and menus for the healthy food café and Chinese restaurant, making posters about dental hygiene and writing sentences describing the animals and fruits from Jack and the Beanstalk.

P.E. will be every Thursday and will be taught by Team Theme.
Homework will be sent home on a Friday and should be returned by the following Monday.