

Spring 1

Happy New Year!

Our topic this half term is based on the story book: "We're Going on a Bear Hunt". Topic work will focus on an early learning goal that is found in Understanding the World.

Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things



Here is a brief outline of what we will be covering during the weeks to come.

Week 1: 7-11 January

Bears - facts on different bears. Looking at teddy bears-old/new.

Week 2: 14-18 January

Water

Week 3: 21-25 January

Mud

Outing: Tuesday 22nd January- morning session at Isle of Play Forest School- Saddlestone site.

Week 4: 28 January-1 February

Forest

Week 5: 4-8 February

Snow

Week 6: 11-15 February

Consolidation of story /Celebrations-Valentine's day

Teddy Bear's picnic

Maths:

We continue to develop an understanding of the value of number.

We continuously focus on correct number formation and ordering numbers to 10/20/30.

Counting every day includes counting to and back from 10/20/30.

We will introduce simple and practical addition and subtraction and use different methods to solve number sentences eg Numicon, number lines.

We will also be working on one more / one less than a given number to 10/ 20 /30.

Size and measuring is the focus in the 3 Bear's house.

Literacy

Our main story is : We're Going on a Bear Hunt. We will base our Talk for Writing around this as well as other familiar stories such as Goldilocks and the 3 Bears.

Our classroom role play area has been set out as the different parts to the story. This will encourage the children to act out the story and incorporate the familiar repetitive story language found in the book.

We will continue to develop the use of adjectives when describing events, objects and characters.

Consolidation of digraphs (2 letters making a new sound e.g sh, ai, ee) is done daily and our aim is for children to recognise them within words when reading and writing.

Reading: Please continue to practise words and sounds and listen to your child read regularly.

Our main focus in handwriting is to practise correct letter formation. Please refer to the letter formation sheet in book bags if necessary when writing at home. Name and Surname practise cards have been included with new whiteboard pens in ziplock packs in book bags.

Please pop in and see what we are up to!

We look forward to another very busy half term.

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