Our Learning Adventure in Reception

Term 5



A Royal Adventure

Where will our adventure take us?

Literacy

Comprehension

This term we will explore the following texts:



















Literacy

Word Reading

This term, we will continue to consolidate our knowledge of Phase 3 sounds:

i, v, w, x y, z, zz, au ch, sh, th, ng. ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear, air, ure, er.

We will also revise the words:

no go I into the to

we, me, be, he, she, you, my, they, was, her, are, all.

and begin to learn the following tricky words:

some, one, said, come, do, so, were, when, have, there, out, like, little, what.

We will also be focusing upon blending and reading words with 'adjacent consonants' within Phase 4 phonics in words such as 'trap', 'string' etc.

Literacy

Writing

As we progress through Phase 3, we will continue to practise writing the grapheme (letter shape) that represents each sound that we can hear in words. We will also learn to spell some of the tricky words covered in phase 2 and 3 (words that you can't sound out). We will begin to think of, say and write simple sentences, sometimes using a capital letter and full stop.

This term, we will continue to have a range of exciting writing opportunities i.e. simple character descriptions, letters, lists etc. We also have lots of exciting stories to share and will continue to develop our imaginative ideas.

Our Adventure Starts... when a mysterious egg appears in the classroom! Where did it come from? What could be inside?

> An adventure highlight...

baking jam tarts for a royal celebration.

Our Explosive Ending

A street party for the Queen's Jubilee.

Our Mathematical Adventure Number and Number Patterns

This term we will be exploring how to partition numbers and find pairs of numbers that total a given number. We will continue to consolidate our recall of number bonds to 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10. We will learn some addition magic tricks and know that addition is commutative, i.e. 5 + 3 is the same as 3 + 5. We will start to learn how to double numbers to 5 and halve even numbers to 10, using objects. We will explore counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and sort numbers into odd and even.

Understanding the World

Past and Present

We will explore the past by looking at old photographs from the Queen's coronation. How has she changed? What do you notice that is different? We will also make links to the work we completed last term on how we change as we grow older.

Understanding the World

People, Culture and Communities

This term we will be taking a closer look at our own culture and community by learning about our Queen and celebrating her Platinum Jubilee.

Understanding the World

The Natural World

We will explore how ingredients change when they are combined and heated by baking some delicious jam tarts. We will also continue to explore the natural world outside. How is our environment changing now that Spring has arrived?

Our Creative Adventure

Creating with Materials and Being Imaginative and Expressive

This term we will be exploring different methods of joining and fixing to make such things as crowns, fire-breathing dragons, wands and party hats. We will continue to develop our team—work skills by creating large scale castles using cardboard boxes and den-making materials. In music and dance we will learn how to keep a beat using percussion instruments and how to march in time to music.

Our Physical Development Adventure

Gross and Fine Motor Skills

We will continue to develop our fine motor skills by engaging in exciting Funky Finger activities such as picking up gems with tweezers and filling in topic-related pictures with colourful patterns. We will also continue to refine our scissor skills with cutting activities. In PE, we will begin exploring ball skills such as rolling, bouncing and catching, and we will continue to develop our balance and coordination through building obstacle courses in our outside area. We will continue to practise our letter formation in pen disco by creating letter shapes in the air to music and then on paper.

Our Communication and Language Adventure

We will continue to have many opportunities to listen to and have conversations with others. We will enjoy talking about our friendships with others as well as how we can stay healthy. We will also be encouraged to listen to the ideas of others. This term we will enjoy learning about the past and focus upon using tenses correctly. We will have a range of opportunities linked to our exciting topic 'A Royal Adventure' where we will be able to imagine and create different roles and experiences and rehearse the new vocabulary that we are learning. We will also be starting to think about our transition into Year One and will be talking about 'times of change' and how these can be managed effectively.

Our Personal, Social, Emotional and STAR Adventure

We are excited to be entering the Summer Term and will start to be thinking about our transition into Year 1 and how positive 'change' can be. We will reflect on how much we have changed over the year and talk about the things that we are looking forward to. We will begin to compile class memory books and write letters to our new class teachers.

We will continue to build upon the friendships that we have made and demonstrate that we can be caring and helpful through showing empathy and respect to others, working and playing co-operatively whilst considering others' ideas and feelings. We will continue to understand the rules and routines in school and ensure that we are confident to shine in all areas of the curriculum.

We will also be introduced to our new year group hero, 'Kelly Holmes' and link this to our PSHE work upon staying healthy. We will begin PE sessions this term and will discuss the importance of healthy eating and exercise. We will also explore how good friendships, keeping clean and good sleeping patterns can contribute to a healthy lifestyle.