



Bookwell Primary School

Reception

Spring 2 Newsletter



Welcome back to School, I hope you all enjoyed the half term break and that you are now ready for a busy half term ahead. We have many exciting things happening this half term and our learning will be based around seasonal changes/ Spring. This half term includes World Book Day, the day will be themed around the story "You Choose" by Pippa Goodhart, and we have many fun activities planned. We will be exploring some of the following questions:- How do plants grow? What do trees need to grow? What do road signs mean?

Literacy

This half-term in Literacy, we will be exploring a well known story called "The very hungry caterpillar" by Eric Carle. The children will be developing their comprehension skills as well as questioning and role-play. We will continue our phonics learning by reviewing the phase 3 phonemes. We will also be exploring double letter sounds and longer words ending in 'ing' and longer words with s in the middle /z/ s words ending -s and words with -es at end. The children will read 3 times a week working on decoding, prosody and comprehension skills.

Maths

In Maths, we will be working on cardinality composition, comparison, patterns, shape and measures.

	Cardinality	Composition	Comparison	Patterns	Shape	Measures
Autumn	Able to count by rote 0-10 Perceptual subitising to 5 Count objects to 10	Compose to 5 Know some bonds to 3	One more and one less to 5	A-B patterns A-B-C patterns	Different viewpoints, using construction and representing shape	Recognise attributes of length, make direct comparisons
Spring	Able to count by rote 0-20 Conceptual subitising to 8 Count objects to 20	Compose to 8 Know some bonds to 6	One more and one less to 8	A-B-C patterns A-A-B-B patterns	Describe properties and name shapes	Order items and use units

Understanding of the World

We will continue our learning for 'Understanding the World' through the exploration of life cycles. The children will talk about and understand changes in their own lifetime and they will take a closer look at the life cycle of a caterpillar. They will also explore the life cycle of different seeds. In R.E, we will be exploring the Easter story.

Physical Development

This half term the children will be working with Mrs Mason and they will be engaging in dance sessions. The children will learn how to move with control and coordination. They will also follow a simple sequence in response to music. Our P.E Sessions this half term will be on **Thursdays**.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will continue to explore the jigsaw scheme of work for pshe and the jigsaw piece for this half term is called "Healthy Me". We will be discussing all the things we need to do to keep ourselves healthy, here are some of the topics we will be covering:- lifestyle choices, healthy eating, sleep, keeping clean, oral health, friendships and happiness.

Expressive Arts and Design

This half term, we will start by drawing a person; the children engage in this task every half term, it is a fantastic way to show progression. The children will continue to express themselves in response to our music scheme, Charanga.