

Dear Parents / Carers

Wow what an amazing first term we have had! I am so proud of how the children have settled into the new school routines and seem to be excited about their learning. I would like to take this opportunity to also thank you for your support in this first term.

The children have begun learning their phonics sounds following the Read Write Inc scheme and will begin to work through the purple blending books. Once your child has worked through these they will move onto the red ditty books.

In Maths the children have learnt a range of different concepts such as subitising (identifying an amount by sight) 1:1 correspondence, comparing and sorting and more and less.

Within the provision activities had been set up to help develop the childrens fine motor skills such as tweezer activities using pompoms and numicon, threading beads and lots more. Activities have also been set up according to the childrens interests, there has been a lot of interest in ramps and marble runs, I wonder what this term will bring?

We have had our first parents evening which was a great success and lots of positive things to say about the children, thank you for your participation.

This term the children will learn about Autumn and the changes in seasons, transport, Bonfire Night, Remembrance and Christmas, lots of exciting learning ahead of us!!

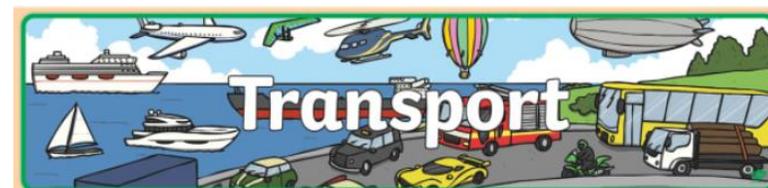
I look forward to another exciting term!

If you would like to discuss your child with me, please speak to me at the hedgehogs garden gate in the morning or afterschool or if you would like a more private space please ask and we can arrange this.

Nicki Dunkley
Reception Class Teacher



Warmington School



Dates to remember and teaching arrangements

- Monday 30th October – beginning of Autumn term 2
- Monday 30th October – Halloween assembly with PCSO Butter
- Friday 3rd November – Bonfire night
- Monday 13th November – Indian Dance Workshop
- Thursday 23rd November – Non Uniform for Jam Jars
- Friday 1st December – School Disco
- Monday 11th December – evening performance
- Tuesday 12th December – morning performance

EYFS Staff

Mrs Dunkley will be the full time class Teacher. Mrs Cutajar will teach Hedgehogs on a Wednesday morning with Madame Kernick teaching French and Mrs Ransom teaching PE Wednesday afternoons.

Each afternoon the Hedgehogs will be joined by the Robins and their staff. This will be continuously reviewed.

N.B. This document will also be available to view on the school website www.warmingtonschool.net.

COMMUNICATION, LANGUAGE & LITERACY:

I will be sharing a range of different texts with the children that link to learning about Autumn and transport

- We're Going on a Leaf Hunt
- Rosies Walk
- Pumpkin Soup
- Leaf Man
- We all Go Travelling by
- Big Blue train
- Mr Gumpys Motor Car

Additional books will be added throughout the term.

I will continue to follow the Read Write Inc programme for reading and writing and link writing to the sounds the children have learnt.

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD:

We will discuss the changes in seasons from Autumn to Winter and make reference to changes to the natural world, weather and our habits.

Make more careful observations (e.g. "The ice has melted; look it's a puddle now") and use an increasingly mature vocabulary when discussing the natural world, e.g. soil, roots, stem, temperature, melt.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

The children will continue to learn the routines of school and develop relationships with adults and peers. They will listen to different PSHE stories, learning about why they are special, how we are all different and what makes a good friend.



MATHS:

The children will continue to explore the different maths resources, we have already looked at the composition of 1 to 3, we will begin to look at 4 and 5, more and less, shapes with 4 sides and ordering key events.

EXPRESSIVE ARTS & DESIGN:

Children will use a variety of media independently (pencils, crayons, paint, chalk, different construction toys), thinking about Autumnal colours.

They will talk about what they like or could improve about what they have created. Adapt their construction to achieve a desired outcome, e.g. add an extra layer to a model to represent "upstairs" when their pretend-play requires it.

Children will be involved in music on a daily basis and suggest a movement to match a piece of music.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT:

The children will have a structured PE lesson with Mrs Ransom on a Wednesday afternoon.

They will have the opportunity to use bikes and scooters to develop their gross motor skills.

Fine motor skills will continue to be developed by encouraging the correct pencil grip, scissor grip and being able to access pincer activities and threading activities