

Early Years Newsletter

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I hope you all had a lovely Christmas Holiday!

We have another exciting term ahead.

Our focus this term is Out of this World. We will be developing our understanding of the world; including naming some planets, understanding the sun and the moon. This will give the children a good understanding of space before revisiting this in Year 2 and Year 5.

If you are not already connected, please join our class dojo page, for more information about your child's learning journey. On our dojo platform, we will also share if your child has had an accident or bump to keep you informed during the day.

Mrs Buck
Early Years Leader



As readers we will be...

Sharing lots of stories, with a particular focus on Oliver Jeffers. During our story sessions, we think about how the characters are feeling and what they might say. We are developing our prosody (the rhythm of reading) and repeating key parts of the stories we read.

If you have any other Oliver Jeffers stories at home, please share these with your children too.



As writers, in Reception, we will be...

beginning to develop our sentence writing, using adjectives to describe events and objects. We will be focusing on the story 'How to catch a star' during our writing sessions.



As phonetical developers we will be...

Continuing to develop our rhythm and rhyme awareness using songs and stories.

In Reception, we will continue to learn more phonemes and diagraphs and read CVC and CVCC words.



As mathematicians we will be...

refining our understanding of numbers to 10, including showing numbers within 10 on our fingers and representing numbers on a 5s frame and 10s frame. We will continue to develop our knowledge of shapes and their properties.



As fine motor developers we will be...

Continuing to develop our scissor skills, for example making snips in paper.

In Reception we will continue to refine our handwriting skills to form our letters correctly using the Little Wandle formation rhymes.



As scientists we will be...

Exploring space and planets. We will explore what is in the sky, such as the sun and the moon. We will explore night and day, along with animals who are diurnal and nocturnal.



As gross motor developers we will be...

Continuing to develop our range of movements, such as balancing; jumping and rolling. We will then use these different movements to create dances during our PE sessions.



As communicators we will be...

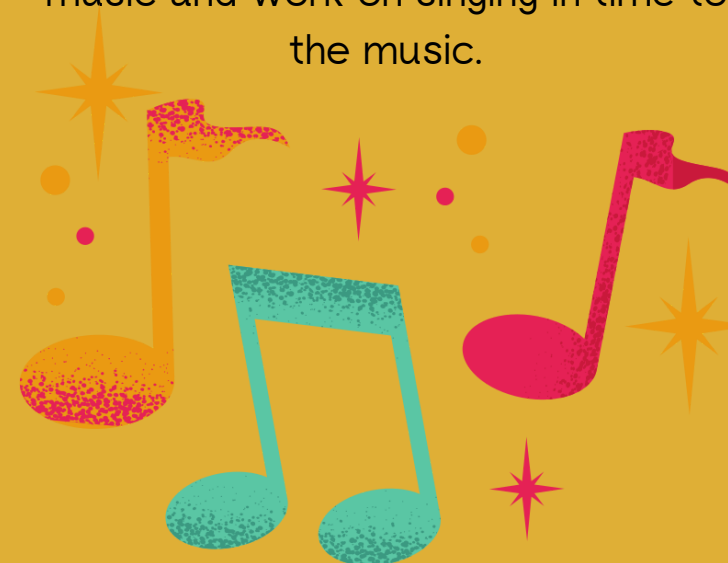
Developing our understanding of questions and how we ask these using our manners. Thinking about who to ask to help us.

We will continue to develop our listening skills within our conversations during play and paying attention to rhymes in songs and stories.



As performers we will be...

Learning songs and creating our own actions to help remember these songs. We will listen to the tempo of music and work on singing in time to the music.



As personal, social and emotional developers we will be...

Continuing to refine our understanding of our rules and what is right or wrong. Refine our understanding of emotions and how these make us feel and why.

We will also think about the perspectives of others and celebrate differences within our classroom and wider local community.



Stay and Play - 31st March 9.00am - 10.30am

We will be having a visit from the wodnerdome (an inflatable planetarium) to support our understanding of space.