

Gorseybrigg Primary School and Nursery

Curriculum Matters



Term **Spring 2 - 2017**

Year Group **Reception**

Teacher **Mrs Kirkwood**

Please note that not all subject areas will necessarily be taught each term and we cannot write down everything we teach!

Term 2 topic – 'Our Favourite Stories!'

Week 1: The Tiger Who Came to Tea

Week 2: Hairy Maclary

Week 3: Aliens in Underpants

Week 4: The Gruffalo

Week 5: Jasper's Beanstalk

Week 6 – Chicks!

Week 7 - Easter

Understanding the World

- Discussing our favourite stories and understanding that we all like different things
- Programming the beebots and solving problems using technology
- Learning about animals that live in the forest and discussing different habitats
- Making observations about plants and growing our own beanstalks
- Learning about growth and new life and celebrating the birth of our chicks!

Personal, Social and Emotional Development and RE

- Playing co-operatively and taking turns with others
- Setting ourselves goals and feeling proud of ourselves when we have achieved them
- Learning about special times and talking about special occasions that we can remember
- Celebrating Easter and Mothers day!

Communication and Language

- Listening to discussions and stories, asking and answering questions about our topic
- Asking how and why questions in response to our favourite stories
- Using past, present and future forms when discussing the birth of our chicks

Expressive Arts and Design

- Representing own ideas, thoughts and feelings through art by painting tigers and making Easter cards.
- Using what we have learned about media and materials by making clay aliens and 3d dog models .
- Taking part in a Gruffalo workshop where we will be using role-play and music to represent our ideas and demonstrate our understanding of the story.

Physical Development

- Experimenting with different ways of moving in gymnastics focusing on Traveling taking weight on different body parts .
- Knowing the importance for good health of physical exercise, and a healthy diet, and talking about ways to keep healthy and safe.
- Playing games based around using bats and balls.
- Dancing and playing ring games.
- Experimenting with dance and movement in response to different kinds of music

Literacy

- Writing recounts of stories that we have been reading in class
- Beginning to add more descriptive words into our writing
- Focusing on using finger spaces, full stops and capital letters.
- Using phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds and playing phonics based games.
- Demonstrating understanding when talking with others about stories and reading to check that sentences make sense
- Reading and understanding simple sentences.
- Reading and **spelling** the 45 reception key words.

Mathematics

- In practical activities and discussion, beginning to use vocabulary involved in addition and subtraction
- Writing own addition and subtraction number sentences and using counters , numicon, ten squares and number lines to help when solving them
- Using everyday language to talk about position and to solve problems involving sharing.
- Using language such as more and less to compare 2 numbers.
- Counting in 2's, 5's and 10's

Helping At Home

- Read with your child often and remember to write in your child's reading record!
- Practice your child's spellings with them and encourage them to use the cursive handwriting style
- Practice counting in 2's, 5's and 10's
- Talk about favourite stories and read them often
- Practice reading and **spelling** the 45 key words
- Use interesting words to describe objects and people e.g.- the magnificent cherry red fire engine.
- Count forwards and backwards using numbers to 20
- Play games and try to remember some simple number facts eg- $2+3=5$
- Read and write numbers 11-20