

Gorseybrigg Primary School and Nursery

Curriculum Matters



Term **Spring 2 - 2018**

Year Group **Nursery**

Teacher **Mrs Pidcock**

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

Topic

Space Chicks and Easter!

We are having an incubator delivered to school on Tuesday 27th February and the eggs should hatch before the end of the week! We will be learning all about the life cycle of a chicken and will hopefully watch them hatch at school.

We will then be learning about Space. We will be thinking about rockets, aliens, the planets, the sun, the moon and stars!

Finally we will be thinking about Easter and talking about our experiences of Easter and Spring.

Literacy

- Listening to how many syllables are in our names (and other familiar words) and clapping each syllable as we say our names.
- Identifying pairs of rhyming words.
- Reading and discussing non-fiction books about the lifecycle of chickens.
- Having-a-go at writing by choosing and writing names for our chicks.
- Signing our names inside our Easter cards.

Mathematics

- Comparing the heights of different rockets and learning how to put things in height order.
- Counting groups of aliens!
- Hunting for Easter eggs with numbers on. Can we recognise the numbers? Can we order the numbers?
- Recognising 2D shapes and looking for similar shapes in the environment.

Personal, Social and Emotional Education and RE

- We will be thinking about relationships and talking about what makes us special.
- We will also be learning about the Easter story.
- We will be trying to play co-operatively, take turns with others and share resources fairly.

Physical Development

- In gymnastics, we will be climbing, balancing and jumping off the equipment independently.
- In games, we will be practicing ball skills e.g. throwing, catching, bouncing.
- We will be learning some Space dances and listening to instructions.
- We will be playing a variety of ring games.

Communication and Language

- Following instructions involving several ideas or actions during dance and music activities.
- Asking how and why questions in response to watching the chicks hatch and grow.
- Listening to stories about Space.
- Asking and answering questions about the planets.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Safely using and exploring a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function by creating clay aliens and 3D models.
- Representing own ideas, thoughts and feelings through Space themed dance and music.

Understanding the World

- Observing our chicks as they hatch, grow and change.
- Watching our environment change as we move from Winter to Spring.
- Reading non-fiction books about Space.

Helping at Home

- Share your child's library book with them.
- Look out for signs of Spring in your garden.
- Look at the moon and the night sky and discuss what you can see.
- Practice writing your child's name with them.
- Play simple number games together and sing number songs and rhymes.