

Literacy

*Reading*

With our baseline reading we will be working at using our listening ears. We will be having a focus on the sounds we can hear around the classroom, as well as the initial sounds in words. We will be playing a number of hearing games to develop our listening skills. Please support your child with this by encouraging them to listen to sounds in the environment, as well as initial sounds in words.

*Writing*

We will be focusing on name writing, and letter formation over the next half term. We will be using our letters to make our names, as well as practicing writing these down. Any support with name writing and mark making at home will support their learning.

Baseline

Over the next six weeks at school we will be completing a baseline for the children as they start school. This will be covering all areas of their learning, including reading, writing numbers and space, shape and measure. This will give us an opportunity to see where the children are up to with their learning, and will support our teaching over the coming weeks.

**All about Me.**

Topic

This half term our topic focus is ‘All about me’. We will be looking at a range of areas including who is in your family, the summer holidays, as well as people who help us in our community and school.

We will also be having a big emphasis on getting to know each other and settling into the new routines of school. We will be doing a number of get to know you activities to help your child settle into school life and make friends.

Maths

*Number.*

We will be focusing on number recognition up to 10. We will be looking at matching numbers to groups of objects, as well as naming and writing numbers. Talking to your child about numbers they know, as well as putting them in order and matching them to objects will support their learning.

*Space, shape and measure.*

We will be covering a range of areas in space shape and measure as part of the baseline. We will be looking at comparing the size, weight, height of objects, as well as looking at both 2D and 3D shapes.

General information

We will be arranging a visit from the police to support us with our focus of people who help us in the community.