



Howden le Wear Primary School
Reception Curriculum –
Autumn 2016
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Literacy

Children in Reception will start their phonics work to develop their understanding of letters and sounds in spoken and written form. Children will be encouraged to read and write at every opportunity and in every aspect of their learning. Children will explore fictional stories, read print in their environment and write for a range of purposes such as comics and labels. They will also begin to label their pictures. Parents can help their child by ensuring they read with them every day and complete any phonics homework. Please find attached a guidance sheet of things parents can do to support their child in Literacy. Information about how to support children with phonics and Early Literacy can be found in your child's Moving On file.

Mathematics

In line with the Early Years Foundation Stage Framework the children will take part in focussed Maths activities, as well as, practising their Maths skills through their play in the areas of learning. The Reception children will work towards the Early Learning Goals for Maths with emphasis on early number, shape, space and measures. Information about how to support children with maths at home can be found in your child's Moving On file.

For other areas of learning, children's learning will be linked to our topic "Me and My Setting":

Understanding of the World (UTW): The World



Children will be learning all about their setting and talk about the places they like. As part of our Forest School work children will learn the rules of the forest, develop their forest school skills and observe changes to the environment as Autumn approaches.

Understanding of the World (UTW): Technology



In our Digital Literacy work the children will learn about "Going to Places Safely" when online and visiting websites. The children will also find out about how to use the Computing equipment in their classroom, such as the I pads, digital cameras and computers. We hope to set up a class photo booth to encourage the children to practise their photography skills using the classroom equipment.

Understanding of the World (UTW): People and Communities



The children will have opportunities to learn and talk about themselves, friends and family. We will look at how we are the same and different. The children will find out about the school "castle teams" they belong to. Children will learn about Harvest time in Christianity and in other cultures such as Judaism. Our school Harvest Festival has been organised at Howden le Wear Methodist Church on Tuesday 18 October at 9.30am – all are welcome!

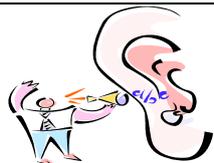
Physical Development (PD)



Children will develop their Moving and Handling skills through a series of lessons on the theme of 'Superheroes'. Children will use apparatus as obstacles to rescue a favourite character! They will develop their motor skills through the use of pencils, scissors and other hand-held tools.

To develop their knowledge of "Health and Self-Care", the children will learn about managing their own hygiene, learn about healthy harvest foods and practise getting dressed for different activities.

Communication and Language (CAL)



Across the school day, children will be given opportunities to develop their listening skills and attention, to listen to and follow instructions and to ask other people questions. They will practise their speaking skills when talking about their learning, things that have happened and when retelling stories.

Expressive Art and Design (EAD)



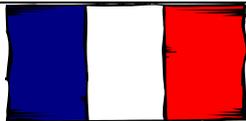
Children will explore the creative and musical resources in the classroom and outdoor area and find out how to access these independently. Lots of our imaginative and creative work will be linked to our topic and the children's own interests. We will hear and learn nursery rhymes and songs about Autumn and harvest time. We will create self-portraits using different media and explore creating faces using loose parts. Our imaginative play will include a small world and role play area linked to the children's interest in superheroes, as well as developing the home corner.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)



Children will be learning about the rules and routines of the setting. They will develop their friendships with other children and their relationships with adults in school. The children will develop their self-confidence through trying new activities and will learn about showing feelings in appropriate ways. Planned activities include learning about how we belong to our families, class and wider community. The children will explore the idea of seeing themselves as superheroes and explore their own strengths.

Educational Visits / Visitors to School/ Special Events



As a school we will be celebrating European Day of Languages on Monday 26 September focussing on the Spanish Language. Children will have the opportunity to learn about the culture, language and life in Spain. Children will take part in the Harvest Festival at the local Chapel as mentioned above and as part of our "Me and My Setting" topic we will be finding out who works in our school.