# Reception Summer Term 2024









This term, our learning focuses upon two thematic topics: What on Earth and Under the Sea, as well as learning about exciting events through the summer term like the Olympic Games! Throughout our topics, we begin our learning through a story to develop our Communication and Language skills and to allow us to broaden our writing within Literacy. Our learning takes place through a mix of adult led and child-initiated sessions using the indoor and outdoor environments. We encourage our children to take a lead in the learning with the use of open-ended activities that allow them to develop various 'Characteristics of Effective Learning.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Across our curriculum, we will continue to develop our skills surrounding Self-Regulation, Managing Self and Making Relationships. We will develop our confidence and resilience to attempt new activities, will take into account others' ideas as well as develop our independence in preparation for Year 1.

#### Literacy

In Literacy, our learning will be linked to our thematic topics wherever possible. We will continue to develop and consolidate our Phonic knowledge through reading and writing. Within writing this term, our learning will focus upon simple sentences linked to the stories from our topics. As well as writing captions, simple story writing will support this development as well as introduce narrative writing. We will continue to focus on applying our sound knowledge to build words phonetically and write common exception words.

## Physical Development

Children receive a taught session of PE each week as well as having daily access to our outdoor classroom, allowing their gross motor skills to be refined. Please remember to provide your child with a full PE kit.

We have daily opportunities to develop our fine motor skills through activities in our class Funky Fingers as well as cutting and threading.

# **Homework**

We will continue to share our learning links through our home learning tasks within our Purple Book. Children will continue to take home reading books following our Floppy's Phonics Scheme as well as extra words to support our phonic knowledge.

## Communication and Language

Through all areas of our curriculum, we will develop our Listening, Attention & Understanding and Speaking skills. We will listen attentively to stories, learn to follow instructions accurately and we will learn to express ourselves clearly and effectively.

#### **Mathematics**

As budding mathematicians, we will continue to develop our deep understanding of numbers up to 10 through composition and recalling facts using addition, subtraction and doubling. As well as counting reliably and ordering numbers, we will use our number knowledge to identify numerical patterns. We will also explore telling the time, measuring capacity and recognising coins to count amounts.

## Understanding the World

During our wild tribe session, we will continue to look at the world around us and explore using our senses. We will look at the importance of looking after the environment and the ways that we can help such as recycling and not dropping litter.

# Expressive Art and Design

Over the term, we will develop our skills within this area of the curriculum by exploring and using different media and materials to create different pieces of art work using junk modelling and painting. Throughout both topics, the children will represent their own ideas by singing songs, making music, dancing, and experimenting with ways of changing them.