

# Week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## Ladybird Class Weekly Update

Welcome to Ladybird class! Each week, we will be sending out an update of what we will be teaching and learning for the following week. It was lovely to meet you all on the home visits. Please do feel free to ask us any questions, if you still have some unsolved answers!

Next week the children start full time (from Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>) a reminder that the day starts at 8.50am and finishes at 3pm.

We will start to look at our Bee Rules and we will talk about what we think each rule means. We will link a story to each of the rules.

We are also starting our phonics. Next week we will look at the sounds m,a,s,d,t. You will receive a phonics pack with each sound in it, so please do look at it and revisit each sound with your child. A short, daily video will be sent out as well with the sound of the day on it.

Obviously the first few weeks we are getting to know your children and them getting to know us, there is a lot for them to take in!

From Monday 18<sup>th</sup>, we will have a weekly PE session so please can you children wear their PE kits to school all day on a Monday only (we will remind you next week!). Forest school starts next Wednesday, so please bring in appropriate Forest school clothing. Thank you.

## Butterfly Class Weekly Update

### Next Week:

**Phonics** - Last week we revised all of the set 1 sounds (including th, qu, ch, sh, ng and nk), and the set 2 sounds (ay, ee, igh and ow). This week we will continue to revise set 2 sounds – oo (Poo at the Zoo!), oo (Look at a Book), ar (Start the Car), or (shut the door) and air (That's not Fair).

**Common exception words of the week** – we will be practising reading and writing the following words this week – the, a, do, to and today.

**English** - We will start our Read Write Inc 'Get Writing' books. We will focus on using capital letters at the start of sentences, finger spaces between words and full stops to end each sentence.

**Maths** - We will be recognising numbers as words, counting on from a given number, finding one more than a number and counting back from 10.

**Science** - We will be finding out the difference between what an object is and what it is made from. Exploring objects around our classroom and deciding on what they are made from.

**History** - We will continue to find out about the voyage of Christopher Columbus. We will be finding out about life at sea in the 15<sup>th</sup> century and comparing it to a modern sea journey!

**RE** - After thinking about our lives and making a timeline of some of the important events in our lives so far. We will now start to find out about what happened in Jesus' lifetime. Thinking about what we already know about his life, asking what else we would like to know and where we might find out more?

**Art** - We will be making a collage inspired by nature, for the front of our sketch books.

**Guided reading** - We are going to read and compare some of Julia Donaldson's stories during our guided reading sessions. Last week, we read the very familiar story of 'The Gruffalo' and this week we will be reading 'The Gruffalo's Child' - listening for similarities and differences between the two stories. We will also introduce our 'Reading Dogs' who help us to answer guided reading questions.

## Dragonfly Class Weekly Update

### **Next Week:**

**English**, we will be re-visiting writing simple sentences and then extending these using adjectives. We will also be writing questions. We will be using pictures as prompts for these.

**Maths**, we will be using place value charts, partitioning numbers to 100 and writing numbers in words up to 100. We will be solving problems related to this learning.

**Science**, we will be exploring a variety of materials and exploring how to sort these into different groups. This will be a practical lesson.

**History**, we will be learning about Columbus and exploring what life was like when he set sail.

**RE**, we begin our new unit, 'What is God like for Christians?'. We begin by thinking about God as a guide in the life of Christians.

**Art**, please see separate email from Mrs Travers.

*Our whole class guided reading text will be 'Counting on Katherine'. This is a non-fiction books about Katherine Johnson.*

**Please keep your child's reading diary and books in their school bags as we are going to hear them read as much as possible!**