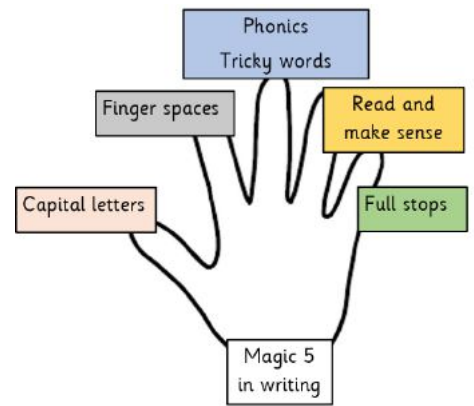


Our learning this half term....

Literacy

In literacy we are looking at Traditional Tales, including The Three Billy Goats Gruff. The children have been using 'Talk for Writing' to support them in saying the sentences they want to write before writing them. We have been developing the children's basic skills in writing using the Magic 5. The children have also had the opportunity to innovate these familiar stories by changing some of the main characters and the setting to make the story their own.



How can I help at home?

- Encourage your child to practise counting on and back from different numbers eg- 22 (within 50).
- Encourage your child to spot different numbers in the environment, can they tell you what the numbers are?

Maths

The children have been practising counting to 50 from different starting points and developing their number recognition of these numbers. Next week we will be exploring how addition can be done in any order and understanding the use of the equals sign. Children will learn that the equals sign does not need to come at the end of a number sentence.

$$\text{E.g. } 6 = 4 + 2$$

Foundation subjects

History: In history we will be exploring the big question 'How did Florence Nightingale make changes for the better?' We will be looking at the life of Florence Nightingale and the work she did in improving hospitals and how her work has impacted the health care we receive today. We shall also learn about how Mary Seacole brought about important changes to nursing and how her devotion to her work had a positive impact on hospitals today.

Science: In science, the children will have the chance to investigate the big question 'How do our bodies work?'. The children will have the opportunity to learn more about the different parts of our bodies and we will be carrying out experiments to find out how different parts of our bodies work.

Religious Education: This term children will be thinking about the big question: Who is Jewish and what do they believe? We will be exploring the Jewish faith, thinking about objects and celebrations that are special to Jewish people as well as understanding their beliefs about God.

PE: The children will have two sessions of PE within the week: one will be led by their class teacher where the children will be practising their throwing skills. They will learn when it is appropriate to do an 'underarm' throw or an 'overarm' throw. Their second session of PE will be led by Joe Woodhouse, our gymnastics coach and the children will be developing their gymnastics skills.

RHE: Being Safe. We will be exploring with the children, the different ways of keeping themselves safe, including: online safety, appropriate boundaries within friendships and also the appropriate ways to respond to adults that they do not know.

Art: This half term children will become artists as they begin to create their own self portrait. They will develop an understanding of what a self-portrait is and use sketching pencils to create their self-portrait in the first instance. Using Van Gogh as our artist inspiration, we will then move on to using paint to create our final 'self-portrait' piece.