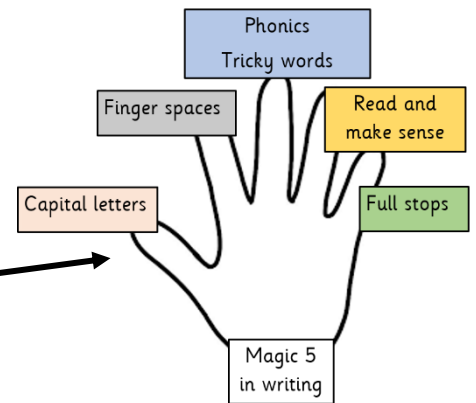


Our learning this half term....

Literacy

This half term our focus text is 'The Storm Whale'. The children have re-told this story using their talk for writing plans and have moved on to innovating the story by changing some of the key parts. Our focus remains on the basic skills of writing, such as: letter formation, spelling, punctuation and saying our sentence out loud before we write it.



How can I help at home?

Practise writing numbers (ensuring they are the right way around).

Looking at numbers to 100, being able to count, read and write them.

Practising naming 2D and 3D shapes.

Maths

Within our maths lessons children are exploring numbers to 100. We will learn how to count to 100, read and write the numerals and how to partition into tens and ones. We will also be exploring 2D and 3D shapes, naming triangles, circles, rectangles, squares, cubes, cuboids, cylinders, spheres and cones.

Foundation subjects

History: Our topic this half term is 'The Victorians', we will be learning what life was like for a Victorian child, exploring their homes, toys, food and school. We will finish our topic with our exciting 'Victorian day', where we will invite the children to come to school dressed up as a Victorian.

Design and technology: In our DT topic this half term we will be designing and creating our own moving pictures using levers and sliders to bring our pictures to life! If you have any books at home with sliders and levers you might like to explore how these move.

Science: As scientists, children will be continuing to develop their knowledge of common animals. They will learn how to categorise the animals into mammals, birds, fish, reptiles or amphibians. Children will develop in confidence when comparing animals and begin to develop their understanding of which common animals are carnivores, herbivores or omnivores.

Religious Education: We will be exploring the big question: 'Who made the world?'. We will be exploring the Christian story of creation and thinking about what this story tells Christians about what God is like. We will also be thinking about how we can show thanks for the wonderful creation of our world.

PE: The children will continue to have two sessions of PE within the week: one will be led by the Year 1 teachers where the focus will be on dance skills. Their second session of PE will be led by Mr Price and the children will be developing their gymnastics skills.

RHE: Our work on our 'One Life' programme continues, with the focus on 'Our response system', 'Our bodies' and 'Being Safe'. The children will learn that all feelings and emotions are normal and how we can manage and respond to them rather than reacting.