



Viaduct Federation of Schools

Reception (FS2) Summer 2 Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parent/Carer

We have had an excellent year in FS2. Last half term we had so much fun on our Farm Trip. The children have impressed us with how much they have learned in such a short time. Many are confident readers and writers. They can apply the skills they have learned in our daily Read Write Inc session in their own reading and writing. The children have learned how to find answers when faced with challenges in Maths. They are getting great at giving explanations for how they solve mathematical problems. We are looking forward to a busy and exciting last half term FS2.

Foundation

Stage 2

Teachers



Mrs Bennett- Head of FS & Dolphin Class



Mrs Polmear- Dolphin Class



Miss Ahmed- Penguin Class

Subject Overviews

Writing

Children have practised writing for different purposes. They are becoming more confident at writing lists and sentences. We will continue to practise sentence writing using our Fantasy topics. We will use interesting texts such as 'Supertato' and 'Aliens Love Underpants' as a stimulus for our exciting writing. We will design a trap to catch Evil Pea and describe to the police the 'crime scene' when the aliens land on our playground. We are sure the children will have lots of great ideas. The children have enjoyed practising their writing at home as well as school, keep up the good work!

Reading

The children have become confident readers and can now recognise and read many red, green and alien words. They have made excellent progress in their Read Write Inc lessons. Some children have been decoding 2 syllable words by breaking the word in half. Many children can talk about what they have read and answer questions related to the story. They enjoy reading a range of texts and are generally excited about reading and listening to stories!

Maths

During this last term, the children will be consolidating their learning of addition, subtraction, number doubles, halving and recalling number bonds with numbers up to 10. They will use a range of strategies to solve these problems, including counting on and back to find the answer. The children will begin to understand that some quantities will share equally into two groups, and some will not. We will link this learning to odd and even numbers. They will have many opportunities to carry out practical activities to help solve number problems. The children will also continue to develop quick recall of number facts such as number bonds up to 10. They will use what they know about numbers to fill in missing numbers on a number track.



Mrs Kirk– Penguin Class



Miss R Arscott–Seal Class

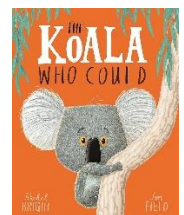
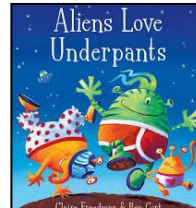
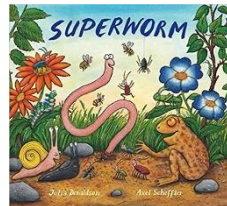


Mrs Lloyd– Seal Class

Subject Overviews continued..

Topic

This half term we will use our imaginations during our fantasy topic. We will read 'Supertato', 'Superworm', and 'Aliens Love Underpants' and complete related activities through our choosing time. We will make and design our own Super vegetable puppets. We will also design and make a trap for Evil Pea in "Supertato". Through the story 'Aliens Love Underpants' we will learn about space and design our own space creature. We will think of its features and what it needs to survive. We will also learn about Dinosaurs, looking at their features and habitat. There are lots of interesting things to learn about! We will finish with a week of 'Transition' ready for our exciting move up to Year 1.



Personal Social and Emotional

The children will be encouraged to speak to the whole class about their own ideas in relation to our topics and share their explanations for why things happen. The children will learn about keeping safe. They will read and hear a song and story from the NSPCC about 'Pantosaurus'. During our circle times we will talk about what they have enjoyed learning this year and what they are looking forward to in Year 1. The children will all have an opportunity to spend a day in their new classes learning with their new class teacher. We are sure you will agree that they should be very proud of all they have achieved this year.

Communication and Language

This half term the children will continue to develop their vocabulary in topic lessons. We will also support them to use a range of vocabulary in imaginative ways and in conversations. They will practise using language for a variety of purposes including adding information, expressing ideas or explaining actions or events. Then they will be able to express their own views in comparisons to that of their peers.

Physical Development

As we are nearly at the end of Reception, we would like to see your child put their own clothes, coats and shoes on independently ready for transition into Year 1. In PE, we will be getting ready for our Sports Day by practising the activities we will take part in during the day.

We have been working very hard on our handwriting during weekly sessions. The children are now able to form most letters correctly and doing a great job of trying their best to write on the lines. We are very pleased with the children's writing, and this will give them a great start ready for Year 1 in September.

Music

This term we will explore the musical dimension of timbre (quality of a sound) by listening to and performing sounds associated with the seaside as well as sounds related to cake making. We will also explore the structure of cumulative and call and response songs. Joining in with the topic of dinosaurs, we will explore the dimensions of pulse and rhythm graphic score as we perform farm animal sounds.

Subject Overviews continued..

Understanding the World

The children will learn about healthy eating during our Supertato topic. They will make healthy pizzas. They will make rockets during our "Aliens love Underpants" topic. Through our 'Dinosaur' topic, children will learn the names of and facts about different dinosaurs. They will talk about what they eat, and where they lived. Children will develop dinosaur fact files based on what they learn from our research. They will think about why dinosaurs are extinct and learn some of the theories to explain this. They will understand that dinosaurs lived a long time ago and see where they fit into our timeline.

ICT

Children are able to explain why we use different ICT. They enjoy exploring the iPads and they are able to use certain apps independently.

Expressive Arts and Expressive Art and Design

Children will combine media through their artwork. They will design and make vegetable superheroes and aliens. Through our topics, they will experiment with role playing in our superhero headquarters and alien space station. They will use their own ideas to develop their own narratives.

Parent Reminder: Please ensure your child brings in their PE kit the first day of term with labelled clothing. **FS2 have PE every Wednesday.**

Home Learning Summer 2

Reading

Encourage your child to continue reading at home. Practise Fred in your head and speedy reading with simpler words. Remember to spot special friends, break down longer words to decode, and check the meaning of them.

Writing

Practise spelling words that you find in your reading books. Try writing a sentence, remembering to include a capital letter and a full stop. You could even challenge yourself to write a story with a beginning, middle and end.

Maths

Encourage children to double and share quantities with numbers to 10. Ask them to recall number bonds up to 10. Can they solve addition and subtraction problems using their fingers or objects or by counting on or backwards?

Topic

Supertato– Create your own super vegetable out of real vegetables. Write a story about your super vegetable's adventures.

Aliens Love Underpants Make up your own alien number problems. Can you use ICT to find out about other planets? What planet do you think the aliens live on? Why?

Dinosaurs—Create a book with Facts about dinosaurs. Draw a picture of a dinosaur and write a story about your dinosaur.

Children are encouraged to complete their homework because it reinforces the learning which takes place in school and is another opportunity to practise.

Remember to send us pictures of your home learning on ILD.

Upcoming Events in Summer 2

- Friday, 19th June – Class School Photos
- Wyvern Transition Day TBC
- Monday, 6th July - Sports Day
- Friday, 10th July – Reports out
- Wednesday, 15th July - School Disco (during school time)
- Friday, 17th July - Last Day of Term

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Did you know we now have a Facebook page?

We have created a Facebook page which will show any news and events across the Viaduct Federation of schools, it is titled 'The Bushfield and Wyvern Viaduct Federation of Schools'. Like us and keep up to date with any fun school events and news!

