



Half Term Class Information

Personal, Social, and Emotional Development Emotional

This term we will be focussing on talking about and expressing our feelings and consider the feelings of others. Over the past few months the children have shown just how resilient they are but we will continue to develop this skill along with perseverance in the face of a challenge.

Literacy

The children have worked so hard in phonics and have now reached the end of the phase 3 sounds. We will now move onto Phase 4. Please continue to practise the sounds learnt so far and the tricky word key ring, regular practise and revision will allow them to retain and use them in their reading and writing.

We will continue to send reading books home. This term we will be reading classic story tales as well as a variety of quality rich texts. We always encourage the children to answer questions to stories to ensure their understanding of the book. Please continue to read for 5 minutes every night with your child, this will give them the time to practise the skills necessary for reading and will increase their confidence greatly. We will continue to change the reading books on a Monday and Thursday.

Understanding the World

This term we look forward to planting our own beans and veg to harvest next term! We will explore different materials look and find out about houses in different countries. We will even have a go at creating our own model house and castle!

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This is our half termly overview for Summer 1. It will give you information about what your child will be learning and how you can support them at home. If you have any queries or questions don't hesitate to talk to Mrs Williamson and Mrs Holmes or contact us via email Reception@eastway.wirral.co.uk

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Our theme this term is: [Once Upon a Time](#)

Physical Development

The children continue to love our daily Go Noodle sessions and have their firm favourites now! Forest school will continue each Tuesday afternoon, ere the children are encouraged to engage in a wide variety of outdoor activities. Our weekly PE lessons will involve developing overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility. We will also start to focus on some ball skills: throwing, passing, passing and kicking.

Helping your child at home

Please ensure that your child reads their schoolbook each night. Book bags need to be brought into school on a Monday and Thursday. Please ensure you continue to practise the phase 3 sounds with your child and the tricky words on the key ring. Five minutes practise at home each night really helps to build up their confidence and enjoyment in learning.

As we are entering the summer term please be mindful that if we are lucky enough to get some warm weather the children will need to have sun cream applied before school and if they need to re-apply it during the school day the sun cream should have their full name labelled on it to avoid confusion. Teachers will support the children to apply sun cream but will not be able to put it on for them. We are all looking forward to a wonderful summer term!

Communication and Language

As well as listening to language rich texts, we encourage the children to discuss their thoughts and feelings. We always encourage them to answer questions relating to the book to ensure they have understood the content. In class, we have a designated area for quality rich texts that they have read to them daily. The children get to vote on which book they would like to have read at the end of the day. It is a great opportunity for them to make decisions and understand which books they like. We will continue to provide opportunities for the children to share their news and talk about their experiences.

Mathematics

This term our focus will be on addition and subtraction number sentences as well as introducing the topic of doubling and halving. We will also explore odd and even numbers and begin to estimate how many are in a set. As always maths is everywhere when you are out and about talk about these topics with the children, putting them into real life contexts will greatly help them to master and understand them.

Expressive Arts and Design

Each week the children will get to explore musical percussion instruments and sing new and old songs. Last term we all really enjoyed learning some new songs; Reach for the stars and Power in me. We have fantastic singers in Reception! In our craft area the children will explore observational drawings of Vincent Van Goughs Sunflowers, colour and shade pencil drawings and painting backgrounds with watercolours.