

Reception Curriculum Newsletter



Literacy

This half-term our core text is 'Giganotosaurus' by Jonny Duddle, which will be supported by other high-quality texts. These texts will be used to facilitate lots of exciting writing opportunities for your child this half-term.



Summer one



The children are now using their developing awareness of Set 1 sounds to write words containing special friends and simple sentences. Your child is also being taught how to write a sentence using capital letters, finger spaces and a full stop.

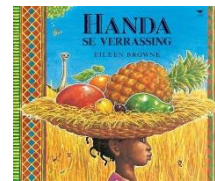
Please use the phonics books in book bags and read at least 3x weekly to support your child at home.

Understanding the World

This half term we will be covering the topics:

- Plants
- Animals
- Africa
- Understanding the effects of seasonal change

If you have any questions about how Religious Education is taught to your child, your child's class teacher would be happy to discuss this.



Mathematics

This half term the children will be exploring numbers to 20 and beyond. They will learn to recognise, count and represent and order the numbers 0-20.

We will also be covering addition and subtraction (within 10). Over the past seven weeks, your child has been developing their understanding of numbers up to ten to prepare them for this new skill.

Your child will begin by using a part-whole model – a tool which will support your child in combining two amounts and counting the total once combined. Once secure using this technique your child will then progress onto using a number line to add and subtract one-digit numbers.

This is such a simple activity which you can support your child with – if you would like any recommendations on how to practice this with your child at home, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Jigsaw (PSHE)

At Littlemoor we take great pride in ensuring that we create well-rounded, happy and confident children who are ready to learn. This half-term, our Jigsaw focus will be Relationships. Through this topic we will discuss some important issues including making friends, falling out, bullying and also being kind.

You could try talking about the differences and similarities within your own family with your child.



Art

All children are artists! During this half-term your child will, be focusing on the artist, Wassily Kandinsky, exploring lines and shapes.

The children will continue to explore colour mixing using powder paint, create art using colour and shape appropriately and draw simple representations of people and objects e.g., farm animals.



Physical Development

As weather begins to improve, we will begin doing some of our PE lessons outside this half term.

Our skills we are focusing on this half term is sending and receiving and reaction and response. The children will work closely on their ball skills, being able to roll a ball between them and working towards throwing and catching a ball successfully. Children will develop their reaction and response skills by seeing how quickly they can start and stop moving in different ways.

Music

At Littlemoor we love music and so do our children. We play music constantly throughout the day across many subjects. In our music lessons over the next few weeks your child will be learning these new songs: Big bear funk Hickory dickory dock Twinkle twinkle little star Baa baa black sheep Sing as much as you can with your child at home – songs are a great way to learn new words, understand melody and to have fun.

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Your child's book bag containing their reading record and any books they currently have.



A water bottle – please do not put juice in your child's bottle, only water please.



Children require a coat when the weather is cold or raining. As the weather turns increasingly warm and sunny, children will require a sun hat and an application of sun cream before school.

