



Ducklings Newsletter Spring Term. January 2020



Books we will be reading this term:

Marvel Hero books

Super Daisy

Super Duck

Supertato series of books

Super Worm

Traction Man

Little Turtle Turns the Tide

Ten Little Superheroes

Michael Recycle

My mum is a Super Mum.

Our new Topic Details

Can anyone be a hero?

Welcome back and happy new year to all of our Nursery and Reception children and their families! We welcome some new starters to Early Years this term, we are looking forward to getting to know our new Nursery and Little Explorer children.

Our new topic for this term is all about Super Heroes! We will start the term with a super hero training camp with lots of fun activities for the children to practise their hero skills. Our Nursery and Reception class have had a move around this term. Nursery will be exploring numbers to ten, 2D shapes and using Number games to help build on mathematical knowledge. We will be practising recognising and writing our own names. We will be practising our fine motor skills, using tweezers, drawing tools and scissors.

Reception will be continuing their phonics lessons daily and we will start to incorporate more writing into these sessions, working on simple sentence structures. In Maths, we will be working on our number sense with numbers beyond ten, working with maths problems such as addition and subtraction. Both Nursery and Reception will be exploring measuring weight, length and capacity. We are looking forward to exploring all things Super heroes and earning our hero status!

Dates for the diary:

W/B 3rd Feb: National Story Telling week

24th Feb: Chinese New Year celebration

14th Feb: School breaks up for half term.

24th Feb: Children back at school.

4th March: World Maths day.

5th March: World Book day.

10th March: Rec beach trip (pm).

20th March: Family service- Who is my Hero in my life. (9am-10am).

3rd April: Children break up for Easter.

Things I need for school:

- A water bottle
- A spare change of clothes
- My reading folder (Rec)
- A coat
- Labels on all of my clothing
- Wellies on a wet day
- PE kit (PE is on a Thursday)
- A school bag

Ways to help your child at home:

- Count anything and everything with them
- Support self help skills (allow children to get dressed themselves (as much as possible).
- Read a story every night
- Talk and ask them questions.
- Practise writing name, numbers and letters.
- Practise key words regularly (Rec).



Project Specific vocabulary:

Strong:

having the power to move heavy weights or perform other physically demanding tasks.

Magnetic:

capable of being attracted by or acquiring the properties of a magnet.

Gravity:

the force that attracts a body towards the centre of the earth, or towards any other physical body having mass.

Recycle:

convert (waste) into reusable material.

Pollution:

the presence in or introduction into the environment of a substance which has harmful or poisonous effects.

Maths vocabulary:

Estimating: guess how many ...? estimate nearly close to about the same as just over, just under too many, too few enough, not enough.

Addition and Subtraction: add, more, and make, sum, total altogether double one more, two more ... ten more how many more to make ...? how many more is ... than ...? how much more is ...? take away how many are left/left over? how many have gone? one less, two less, ten less ... how many fewer is ... than ...? how much less is ...?

Multiplication and division: sharing doubling halving number patterns

Measurement: measure size compare guess, estimate enough, not enough too much, too little too many, too few nearly, close to, about the same as just over, just under.

Weight: weigh, weighs, balances heavy, light heavier than, lighter than heaviest, lightest.