

# YEAR: Reception TERM: Autumn 2<sup>nd</sup> Half

## This term our theme is Frozen Places

**This half term we will be briefly focusing on fireworks before learning all about Frozen Places including Penguins.**

### Sparkling Learning

This half term we will be continuing to embed our sparkling learning behaviours through the characters displayed in our classroom.

We will particularly be continuing to focus on Nigel the Narwhal who tries new things and never gives up. We will also be working hard to be like Izzy the Iguana who improves her own learning and Lottie the Lion who leads her own learning by coming up with our own learning ideas.



### Mathematics

We will learn to write our numbers carefully and count a variety of objects and actions. This careful counting will help us with some simple addition using objects to combine groups and find a total. We will be learning about Time by ordering events and using words such as morning, afternoon and evening. We will be learning the days of the week and months of the year. We will also be learning about Length by comparing the size of objects.

### Our Exciting Curriculum

We have lots of exciting events and activities to look forward to this term which will help us in our learning these include:

#### Stunning Start:

Creating a magical frozen roleplay area in our classroom and using the film Lost and Found to encourage our writing skills.

#### Magical Middle:

We will be design and creating penguins and inviting our parents into the opening of our penguin gallery.

#### Fantastic Finale:

We will be finishing our topic with a great Frozen Christmas Party.

**Physical development,** we will be developing our dance skills by moving to different types of music. We will also be continuing to work hard to help develop the muscles in our hands to help us write through playdough (dough disco) and funky fingers activities.

**Communication and Language,** we will be learning to follow and retell stories with and without pictures. We will be developing our language and sentences through sharing our news and show and tell. Nearer Christmas we will be learning about jokes and adding them to our Christmas crackers.

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development,** we will be continuing to use our learning friends to be confident to share our own ideas and see ourselves in a positive light talking about the things we are good at.

### Dates and reminders to parents

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November we will be having an open afternoon when you can come and join your reception child in their learning from 2.00pm to 3.00pm. Please also look out for your invite to visit Our Penguin Gallery on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November from 2.40pm -3.00pm.

A Tapestry Tea Party will again take place on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2.40pm-3.00pm, a great chance to share your child's progress and successes. *Lots more Christmas events and dates will be coming up and shared with you after half term.*

**Understanding the world,** we will be learning about frozen places and penguins, we will be comparing different places and understanding the change in season and weather as we move towards Christmas.

**Creative Arts,** we will be creating a frozen roleplay area, children will be encouraged to make their own props to add to this area. We will also be learning lots of songs and dances related to Penguins and Christmas.

**Religious Education,** we will be continue to learn about how special we are. Later in the term we will be learning the Christmas story and the important role the different characters play.

### English

We will be using film to help us retell stories and develop our vocabulary, these will include Lost and Found, Frozen and The Snowman. We will be learning about Penguins from Non Fiction books and creating Winter poems.

### Phonics

We will be continuing to embed and form the first group of sounds. m, a, s, d, t, i, n, p, g, o, and learning the rest of the set c, k, u, b, f, e, l, h, sh, r, j, v, y, w, th, z, ch, qu, x, ng, nk.

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