Communication and Language

This half term we will learn some new vocabulary relating to our key literacy texts.

We will listen to, talk about and then retell stories once we are familiar with them and have a deep understanding.

We will focus on our sentence structure and how we articulate our own ideas.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

To continue to understand how it feels to belong (at home/at school).

Begin to recognise and manage my own feelings.

Consider taking care of ourselves mentally- introducing the term mental health/mindfulness.

Physical Development

Children will be encouraged to draw lines and circles using gross motor movements.

Hold a pencil using a pincer grip (between thumb and two fingers).

PE- Fundamental skills

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Literacy

With encouragement we will listen to and join in with stories and poems (oneto-one, in small groups and as a whole class).

Use some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence.



Get Creative!

Mathematics

White Rose Maths-Exploring zero Comparing numbers to five Composition of 4 & 5 Compare mass and capacity Explore 6, 7 & 8 Combining two amounts Making pairs Length and height Time

Key Texts

Our Literacy Tree Texts:



Additional Texts:

Julia Donaldson Stories
Non-fiction texts about China.

Understanding of the World

We will explore China and Chinese New Year traditions. We will taste some different Chinese foods.

We will explore magnets and how different items may not magnetic or nonmagnetic.

We will explore inventions from both the past and in the present.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will develop our Scissor skills by creating our own Chinese lanterns.

We will design and make our own Chinese dragon puppets using the media of oil pastels.

We will listen to traditional Chinese music and create our own dragon dance.

Inspired by our Literacy Tree Text 'Izzy Gizmo' we will be creating our own inventions. We will plan, create and evaluate our inventions.

Enrichments

Chinese New Year Party - Food Tasting/Music/Dragon Dancing.

Valentine's Day

Shrove Tuesday (pancake day)

Children's Mental Health Week