Weekly Overview of Learning



Year group: Reception Week beginning: Monday 1st July

Every **Tuesday**, you will see the weekly overview that sets out our learning for the week on the learning section of our school website. This is the work that children will be doing in school. Home learning will be set on Tapestry every **Thursday** and this should be completed and uploaded to Tapestry by **Monday** morning. If there are any questions, please email your child's class teacher.

Reminders

Remember to check when the next multilingual book club is for your class. The dates should be displayed on the classroom door.

Do respond to the parent mail about Reception going on a trip to Bocketts Farm in July. We will need you to give your permission for your child to attend. Thank you.

This half-term our topic is: On Safari!

The focus story this week is: Handa's Hen (non-fiction focus)



Summer Week 9	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CCVCC words with previously taught digraphs	LI: We are learning to segment sounds to write sentences containing CCVCC words. Review We will review previous GPCs learned so far. Particular focus on those children who have not achieved the literacy ELGs. Teach We will download the lyrics for 'The Turnip Chant' song. On the whiteboard we will have written the words: push pull twist thrust must push es bushes We will point out the sound of the es ending in pushes and bushes. We will then watch the video and chant the song together. Adding actions where possible. Ask the children to think of a sentence from the story. We will write some of our sentences on	LI: We are learning to segment sounds to write sentences containing CCVCC words. Review We will begin by using the sentences powerpoint, reading the sentences and checking our reading was correct using the images to help us. Teach We will use the my turn, our turn, your turn strategy to write the sentences: 'Lots of turnip to grab' and 'We can grill it so it is crunchy' on the speech bubble shapes.	LI: We are learning to read sentences containing CCVCC words independently. Review Today we will begin by practising reading the high frequency word flashcards we have previously learned. Teach We will then read some pages from The Gigantic Turnip story, notice they have been muddled up and put them in the correct order.	LI: We are learning to read and spell the high frequency words their and our. Review Today we will begin by practising writing captions for images we have seen previously. Teach - HFWs their our We will use the HFW PowerPoint. We will read through and highlight the sound that each grapheme makes in the HFW. Show how write these and recall the monsters that make these sounds. We will explain how the word 'our' has an ou that makes the Brown Owl sound. Tricky Witch casts a spell on eir in the word 'their' to change this sound. We will then explain to the children that they are going to create phonics art, either for display. The children will use media such as felt-tips, pencil crayons, pastel and paints to create HFW flashcards. Continue to	LI: We are learning to segment sounds to write sentences containing CCVCC words. Review We will begin by using the Buried Treasure powerpoint, reading the words and deciding if the word is a real word or a nonsense word. Teach We will use the my turn, our turn, your turn strategy to write the sentences: Our dog is called Ben. They looked for their cat. Oh, there you are. They asked me to push their car.

	our whiteboards and then try to		highlight the sound that each grapheme	
á	add some of them to the chant.		makes in the HFW.	
F	For example:			
l	Let's eat it for a snack.			
l	Let's eat it before the slugs do.			
l	Let's eat it for a picnic.			

Literacy

Book: Handa's Hen (Non-Fiction focus)

Writing task: We will be creating our own non-fiction books about the animals who live in Handa's country (Kenya).

Adult Led Sessions

This week we will be reading a new text – Handa's Hen. We will then read a simple information book with facts about the animals in Kenya and create our own information books. We will challenge the children to write sentences beyond the Early Learning Goal, remembering punctuation and conjunctions.

Key vocabulary: feathers, reptile, eggs, hunting, carnivore, herbivore, omnivore.

Key Questions: Is this book a story book or an information book? How do you know? Why has the author written this book?

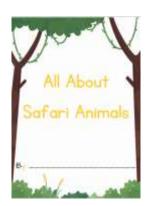
Monday LI- We are learning to recognise the features of a story book and an information book. Today we will be reading the story of Handa's Hen and then begin to compare it to our information book about Safari Animals.

Tuesday LI - We are learning to compare the features of a story book with the features of an information book. Today we will be reading the information book about Safari Animals and then compare it to our text Handa's Hen.

Wednesday LI - We are learning facts about Safari Animals (so that we can write our own information books later). Today we will be using a categorising frame to record

Enhancements in the Learning Environment

Message Centre: Opportunities to include letter writing to Little Red, signs warning Little Red about the lion, medals and certificates to our dads and grandads.







everything we know about different safari animals, in preparation for our writing today and tomorrow.

Thursday LI - We are learning to create an information book. Today we will use My turn, Our turn, Your turn to practise writing facts for our information books.

Friday LI - We are learning to form u correctly. Today we will go to the handwriting section from the Monster Phonics website. We will remember the letter formation rhymes to complete the sheet from the Monster Phonics handwriting scheme (saved in the folder for this week). Children who did not achieve the fine motor skills and writing ELGs (due to handwriting) to complete the additional u handwriting activities from Monster Phonics.



Theme: Exploring routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'

Adult Led Sessions

This week we will help develop the children's understanding of positional language through exploring simple maps and creating maps from familiar places.

Vocabulary: next to, below, past, above, beside

Key Questions:

- What can you see on the map? Where is-----? What do you notice? Can you follow my map to?
- Where does your map take you? What is on your map? Describe the route.

Monday - LI. We are learning to describe the location of places on an aerial map.

Provide children with a range of aerial maps to explore. Ensure that children can clearly see areas from their local environment. Prompt them to try and identify key landmarks, such as their school.

Enhancements in the Learning Environment



Show children a map of the world. Take animals from the small-world area, such as penguins, lions, polar

bears and giraffes. Encourage children to talk about where these animals

might live.





What do they need to survive? Do they live in a cold or hot environment, in a forest or a desert? Support children to identify the areas on the map where each animal lives and place the animal there.



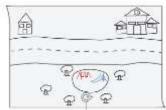
Tuesday - LI. We are learning to represent maps with models

We will explore maps from a range of landscapes. Children will be encouraged to recreate scenes using small-world and construction resources.



Wednesday- LI. We are learning to create our own maps from familiar places

We will begin by exploring the route to school from the car park or the school gates. Ask children what they pass on their way to school. Encourage children to draw a simple, linear map to show their home, their street, the school and some landmarks they pass on the way. What do they pass first, next and last?



Thursday - LI. We are learning to create our own maps from story situations

When sharing story- Little Red Riding Hood, we will change the ending so that Red Riding Hood doesn't go to Grandma's house. We will talk about how the events of the story have changed.

The children will be encouraged to create their own map or plan of where Red Riding Hood went instead of going to Grandma's house.

Friday - LI. We are learning to give directions on a map.

Using chalk in the playground, he class teacher will draw a large scale map of the Savanah with the children. Next, she will model giving instructions for the hippo to move from the lake to the grasslands etc..

The children will then take turns to move animals from one location to another on the map.



Read stories with children, such as *Pirates Love Underpants* by Claire Freedman, that show
illustrations of treasure maps. Discuss what a treasure
map needs to include for others to be able to use it to
find the treasure.

Hide treasure in the outdoor area and create a treasure map for children. Encourage them to discuss which area each part of the map is showing and then follow the map to find 'X marks the spot'.

Encourage children to make their own treasure maps for other children to follow.



Display pictures of different rooms in a house, discussing that everyone's houses

and rooms look different. Encourage children to draw a map of one room in their own house and then talk about the different parts of the map.



Music



Assembly songs

Personal, Social and Emotional development



Physical Development



Dance - Lesson 4

Art and DT



Cardboard box hide

Communication and Language



Handa – People, communities and culture



Lesson 4 – Churches

LI. We are learning actions and words to our favourite assemble songs.

Activity:

This week, we are going to revise all the learning we have completed throughout the year using Sing Up and practice our favourite assembly songs ready to perform for the rest of the school, such as:

- Climb
- Reach for the stars
- Build it high
- Barbeque blues

Key Vocabulary:

Perform, pitch, temp, rhythm, express, actions

Key Questions:

How can we change our voice? How can we improve the song? What actions match the words? LI. We are learning that I can express how I feel about moving to Year 1.

PIXL TRANSITION UNIT

Activity:

We will discuss the meaning of 'fair' and then read a story about some animal characters. We will discuss how the characters could show fairness.

We will then talk to the children about what we do if we notice something is unfair or that we feel something unfair has been done to us. How can we use our words to speak out respectfully?

Display the words **fair** and **unfair** in the classroom and model speaking frames such as, "That was fair because ..." or "I noticed that was unfair because ..." Encourage children to use this in their everyday conversations.

Key vocabulary:

fair, unfair, fainess Key Questions:

How could the characters show fairness and make it fair?

LI. We are learning to move with control and co-ordination, expressing ideas through movement.

Activity:

Bang, crackle, fizz:

We will play the music, children begin by walking around the space. We will ask the children for different ways that they could travel to the music. Take suggestions and decide together.

Dancing as a group:

As a group, children skip, following the base stations around in a circle for 8 counts. Can they move their scarf as they skip? They then travel back in the direction they have come from for another 8 counts.

Children can now travel anywhere in the middle of the circle, moving their scarf as they travel. Can they think of a way to travel inside the circle to show that they are a firework? E.g. turning, jumping, spinning. Can they use actions from the warm up?

Creating the dance:

Children begin in the middle of the circle. 4 counts to get to their base

LI. We are learning to create a bird hide using junk modelling.

Activity:

We will draw circular, square and rectangular holes in the front of a box using chalk. Use tape to strengthen the box and seal up any open flaps. With a pair of scissors, cut out the holes carefully. Use chalk to sketch on different leaf shapes to create the camouflage design. The aim is to blend into the background, so look closely at the foliage in the playground. Use a sponge to daub on some green paint around the design and then repeat this with brown. Finally, paint on some streaks of black to look like the lead shadows.

Key vocabulary

Dark, light, camouflage, environment, foliage, shape, leaf, design, daub

Key Questions:

What foliage is in our environment?
What colours can you see in our playground?

LI. We are learning to make and use simple maps in their play to represent places and journeys, real and imagined.

Activity:

We will share the story Handa's Hen by Eileen Browne. Look at Handa's route to find Mondi and the different animals she saw along the way. Invite the children to count the animals. Provide each child with the Animal counting cut outs, scissors, glue, felt tip pens and A3 paper. Explain that they will use the resources to create a journey for Handa to go along with different animals for her to count along the way. Tell them that they can choose how many of each animal to use for each number to 10. Invite the children to use their completed pictures to describe their version of Handa's journey. Encourage them to explain how many animals there are at each point. For example 'Handa saw one butterfly. Then she saw two hippos.'

Key Vocabulary:

Journey, map, route

LI. We are learning about special places (churches).

Activity:

We will show children some pictures of the outside of churches. What are these buildings called? Have you ever visited/seen one? What do you notice? Who goes to a church? Why? Explain to the children that the church is a very special place to people who are Christians, as it is a place where they feel close to Jesus and God. Go through different pictures from inside of a church.

What special events happen in a church e.g. weddings/baptisms? Discuss and share ideas together. Is there anyone who has been to a church? Look at the pictures. Do you recognise Jesus and the cross from our previous lessons? Is there anything else you notice or want to talk about?

Key vocabulary:

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How	w can we use our words to	station following the 'bang' from	How can you join the materials	Key questions	Churches, wedding, baptism,
spea	ak out respectfully?	the teacher.	together?	Which different animals does	Jesus
		Children choose their favourite	Why have you chosen to blend	Handa meet on her journey to	Key Questions:
		way to move their sparkler. 8	the colours?	find Mondi?	What are these buildings
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62	and the same of th	Exploding movement.		Can they retell stories using	one?
		Travel around the circle. 8 counts		some of the vocabulary from the	What do you notice?
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		counts.			What special events happen
		Travel through the middle of the			in a church e.g.
		circle. 8 counts.			weddings/baptisms?
		Exploding movement to finish.			Discuss and share ideas
		Key vocabulary:			together.
		Skip, travel, spin, turn,			Is there anyone who has
		coordination, control			been to a church?
		Key Questions:			
		What was difficult about dancing			
		all together?			
		What made your dance look			
		exciting or interesting?			
		Who else's dance did you like and			
		why?			

Some of the other opportunities for learning inside or in the outside area (based on pupil needs and interests):

LI. We are learning to name and describe animals who live in other places (vocabulary: carnivores, herbivores, omnivores, habitat)



L.I. We are learning to use scissors correctly. fine motor skills focus (Vocabulary: petal, leaf, stem, pollen, seeds)

