

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will talk about what makes a good friend and discuss what to do when we fall out with our friends.

We will learn to share and take turns through small group games.

We will talk about our different family traditions and learn what makes us unique.

Mathematics

We will chant in '1's and 10's and sing and move to active counting songs.

We will compare amounts of objects using mathematical vocabulary as well as matching number to quantity.

We will describe, copy, continue and create patterns.

We will learn about different measures including length, weight and size.

Useful Things to Know

If your child does not yet have a book bag, you can purchase one from the school office. They are very useful to keep letters, reading books and home learning in.

Please read with your child regularly. This term we are asking for your help to change your child's book. The books are for discussion so please choose any from the box in the cloakroom.

Homework logs are due in on Thursdays.

All children need a water bottle in school everyday.

On Friday mornings at 9am we have a **Golden Assembly** in Burnaby hall to celebrate the children's achievements. This is followed by a Parent drop-in.

This term there will be lots of events on at school including a Christmas Fair, the EYFS nativity and Carols on the stage. Check out the school newsletter or website for more information.



Half Term Preview Autumn 2 - Heroes Class: The Hungry Caterpillars

Teacher: Miss Hill
Mrs English (Monday PM)
TA : Mrs Nellist & Mrs Wallis
Lunchtime supervisor: Mrs Bramall

We send a newsletter like this, every half term to tell you what is happening in the term ahead.

We also have a **class page on the website that is** updated weekly. Please read it with your child to encourage them to talk about what they have been doing at school.

<http://www.walkley.sheffield.sch.uk/f2-hungry-caterpillars/>

Cinema trip for the Into film festival – 19th November. Look out for a letter by email.

Physical Development

We have PE on **Thursday** afternoons. Please make sure your child has a PE kit in school consisting of black/blue shorts, a white T-shirt and black pumps. No football kits or jewellery please! **Please label all clothing.**

We encourage the children to get changed independently. Please help them to practise this at home, especially unfastening buttons.

In PE, we will learn to copy and create movements to music through dance. We will do some yoga too.

In class, we will practice using our fine motor skills by weaving, sewing and using scissors. In weekly 'dough disco' sessions we will manipulate playdough with our hands. This will help us to develop stronger pencil grips.

Communication, Language and Literacy

We are all excited to be continuing our successful and exciting phonics programme '**Read, Write Inc**'..

We will use 'Fred Talk' to segment words orally into sounds and blend them together to read. Please help your child to practise these sounds at home.

Our theme this term is '**heroes**'. We will learn about heroes who work in the emergency services such as fire-fighters, police officers and paramedics.

We will also talk about some animal heroes such as guide dogs and animals which helped in the war.

We will look at non-fiction books and learn about indexes. We will also use 'kiddle' to search for information.

We have **show and tell** on Mondays and Thursdays. This is an opportunity for the children to practise their speaking skills by sharing photos, work or special items with the class. However, we ask that they **don't bring in toys**.

Understanding the World

We will conduct a simple experiment using different materials.

We will also talk about our community and design maps of our journey to school.

We will look at the changes to the weather as Winter approaches.

Expressive arts and design

We will have access to a range of resources and tools to make props to display in the classroom.

We will also be using language and imagination in the role play corner.

We will listen to a range of music, sing songs and explore sounds made by different instruments.