

Hartshorne C of E Primary School

Communication and Language



This term we will be using well-formed sentences to participate in discussions and express our point of view. We will begin to use a range of connectives (and, so, because, but)

Understand and use new vocabulary.
We will be able to talk about familiar

Personal, social, emotional development

We will be developing perseverance and resilience when working towards a goal. Playing games, sharing and taking turns. We will understand why we need to understand rules and follow them.

We will learn about why a good sleep routine is part of a healthy lifestyle.

We will be learning about our Christian Values 'Aspiration and Hope' and 'Generosity'

Physical Development



PE sessions will be on a Monday afternoon. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing the correct PE kit (No logos please). If your child wears earrings, please remove them on PE days.

The Real PE program will focus on co-ordination, balance and agility through ball skills and dance.

We will continue 'Squiggle while you wiggle' and 'Dough Disco', alongside a range of funky finger activities to develop fine and gross motor skills. We will continue to develop independent skills, such as dressing, tidying and tooth



Literacy



We will continue learning a range of nursery rhymes. Drawing Club texts include The Greatest Snowman, If I had a Polar Bear, Jack and the beanstalk and That's not a daffodil. We will create drawings of characters and settings to secure our understanding of stories; write captions and sentences as our secret codes. Then we will use our own imagination to develop the next adventures in our story.

We will continue our Sounds Write phonics program and ask that you practise your child's phonics sounds and listen to them read regularly – It really

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Values

Aspiration and Hope

Generosity

Themes

Where in the world – Polar Regions and Animals

Ready, Steady, Grow!



Mathematics



We will be counting and comparing numbers to 10. We will begin to explore addition to 10 and subtraction within 10. We will learn number bonds to 10 using a ten frame

There will be a focus on measure - length, distance, height and weight.

We will follow and make simple patterns. Visit www.topmarks.co.uk for fun games to support learning.



Expressive Arts and Design

In art we will be experimenting with print making and we will look at joining a range of materials.

We will be learning songs and playing instruments to express feelings. We will act out some of our favourite stories.

Understanding of the World



We will compare the Arctic to our local environment. Exploring natural processes - melting and freezing.

We will explore changing seasons - weather, changes over time - life cycles, growing and the key features of plants.

People - culture and communities will see us compare our new year celebrations with Chinese New Year.

In forest school we will consider how to look after local wildlife during winter.



Outdoor Learning



Please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing and footwear for our Outdoor learning sessions on a Wednesday morning. We will get dirty! We like to explore the outdoors, jump in puddles (usually very muddy ones!), roll in the grass, and be at one with nature.

Safeguarding

We will continue to explore how to stay safe online and know who to ask for help. On-line bullying and managing online information. We will consider our use of technology within leading a healthy balanced lifestyle to promote well-being.

We will know that we can use technology for a specific purpose.



In RE this term, our focuses will be
Creation

Where do we belong?