

**Curriculum Newsletter**

Year R Term 2 2024

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| Hello everyone! We would like to say well done to all of our children for making such a fantastic start to the new school year. They have settled back into school life brilliantly and have made excellent progress in their learning – we couldn’t be more proud of them! This newsletter will give you a brief overview of what your child will be covering up until the Christmas break. If you have any questions please speak with any member of the Senior Leadership Team or see your child’s teacher at the end of the school day.  You can also contact your class teacher via the class email antarctica@sgmail.org.uk. Please note that the class email account is not routinely checked during the school day, so if you have an urgent message, please contact the school office.  A few reminders before we kick off the new year!   * We ask that children come to school in their full school uniform. Please refer to our school website for further information on this - <https://www.themanorcofeprimary.org.uk/school-uniform> * We would also like to remind our families that we are a nut-free school. Some of our children suffer with various allergies and so in order to keep everyone safe, we ask that you do not include food items containing nuts in your child’s lunch box or as a break time snack. * We would also like to reiterate that as your child is in KS1, they receive a healthy snack provided by school. We therefore ask that all children in KS1 (Year R – 2) **do not** bring in an additional snack. Thank you. | | |
| **Reading**  Please remember to use the sound flash cards and phonic assessment grid in the reading wallets as often as you can.  This term we move on to the rest of the single letters in the alphabet: e u r h b f (ff) l(ll) ss j v w x y z/zz before moving on to digraphs (two letters which make one sound).  We are still learning to read these tricky words instantly: no, go, I, the, into, to and will be introducing new words – he, she, me, we, be….  Remember, the Teach Your Monsters to Read website has some great blending and segmenting games for your child to play (<https://www.teachyourmonster.org>) and it can be played on a tablet.  Please also note the handwriting scheme that we use is a great 5 min activity to help children develop letter formation. Here is the login and password:  C:\Users\kellyh\Desktop\letterjoin.JPG  We have found a great Instagram account called Phonicsfamily where there is a host of practical ideas about doing phonics at home in a fun and practical way.  Can we also remind you that there is a film clip of us saying the sounds and actions on our website if you ever feel like you need a bit of extra help.  In addition to this, we are running our phonic workshop soon on Thursday 21st November at 9am in the hall. We will teach a phonics lesson to the class and it might make more sense once you see it in action. We would love to see you all. | | **Maths**  In maths this term, we continue to develop our sense of numbers up to 5 with Numicon, Numberblocks and everyday objects.  We will find 4 and 5, subitise 4 and 5, find different ways to make and represent 4 and 5, whilst also reminding ourselves of what one more and one less means.  Composition of 4 and 5 -Maths - Learning with BBC Bitesize - BBC Bitesize  C:\Users\selll\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.MSO\90F94CE4.tmpWe will look at and use the language of positioning.  We will also be looking at circles and triangles, later moving onto 4 sided shapes.  Triangle, Square, Circle: A Psychological Test  Writing Practice Number 1 Stock Illustrations, Cliparts and Royalty Free  Writing Practice Number 1 VectorsWe will continue to practise writing numbers correctly. |
| Fall Leaves Border Cliparts, Stock Vector and Royalty Free Fall Leaves  Border Illustrations  **Learning Overview**  This term we will be learning about the seasons and be asking the question ‘Is it Autumn in other parts of the world?’ For more information on what we are learning this term, please see the Term 2 Learning Overview on the school website.  We will also be learning about the **Christmas Nativity story** and will be singing songs related to this on **Monday** **16th December at 2:00pm to all of our parents in Reception class**. We have a large supply of costumes for the children to wear already and if we need the odd t-shirt etc., from home, we will let you know in advance. | | |
| Show and Tell | We will start Show and Tell this term. Each child will take it in turn to bring home a Show and Tell bag. They are invited to bring objects to school to share with their friends such as: favourite photograph, story book, toy or game, song etc. You may also like to send us photographs via the Evidence Me or Antarctica email account. We will be using this opportunity to help your child build confidence to talk to an audience. It would be really helpful for you to talk to your child about the objects they have chosen and why they have chosen to share them before they do this in front of their friends so that they feel prepared. The bag will go home on a Friday with a view to sharing the objects inside across the week. | |
| Cartoon Kid Writing Vector Images (over 22,000)Reading with mother clipart. Free download transparent .PNG | Creazilla | We try our best to change your child’s reading books on the following days: **RED** – **Mondays**, **YELLOW** – **Tuesdays**, **GREEN** – **Wednesdays**, **BLUE** – **Thursdays** and **ORANGE** – **Fridays**. Please remember to indicate when you have read with your child in the yellow reading record. We remind you, however, that your child’s book bag with reading record and books should come in on a daily basis as we may need to shuffle book change dates about with events happening over the next term.  We will continue to send home new home learning sound practice sheets and cards weekly on a Friday and ask that you send your child in with their **completed home learning on Thursday mornings**, so that they can be rewarded in ‘Home Learning Hero time’ on Fridays. We would like to reiterate the importance of keeping up with this on a weekly basis to reinforce what your child is learning at school.  Thank you so much for sending in pictures of your child’s Maths learning to **Evidence Me** – the children love seeing each other on the big screen doing their learning and it is clear that this is reinforcing what we are doing in school – keep up the good work! | |
| http://www.schoolkit.net/media/catalog/product/cache/1/image/9df78eab33525d08d6e5fb8d27136e95/a/c/activ-plus.jpg | Please ensure your child has a bottle of water at school every day. Also please make sure that their school uniform is labelled clearly with their name and class. We ask children not to bring in their own stationery, toys or items from home into school. We will provide all the equipment that your child needs. | |