

WARWICK ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL




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Reception

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Welcome back from
the Reception team

We hope you have had a wonderful week off! We are looking forward to the lovely activities that we have planned, for the half term ahead. We hope the children are ready for all the hard work.

Key Dates:

14th Nov - Autumn Walk

15th Dec - Winter Performance

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ENGLISH

This half term we will be reading and working on the following books: 'Hansel and Gretel,' 'The Gruffalo,' 'Cinderella,' and 'Stickman'. We will be talking about the main characters, events and settings in these stories. The children will also have the opportunity to act out these stories in role play. We will encourage the children to re-tell these stories in their own words and to repeat some of the text from the books. There will be an emphasis on using and understanding recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role play.

The children will also have the opportunity to think about and discuss the thoughts and feelings of the different characters in the stories.

MATHS



This half term the children will participate in daily mathematics sessions. They will learn to count, recognise, order and write numbers to 20. We will also be matching amounts to corresponding numbers and counting out different amounts of objects. We will also be comparing groups: quantities of identical objects, non-identical objects and finding more and fewer than amounts. They will learn to describe their relative position, including the use of left and right. We will also be learning about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. The children will also move on to learn about finding 1 more and 1 less than a given number/amount.

TOPIC

This half term our topic work will focus on autumn and celebrations, where children will explore the seasonal changes in autumn. We will ask and explore questions such as; Why do animals hibernate? Why do the leaves fall from the trees? Each week we will have a different focus linked to the topic, to allow children to share ideas and develop an understanding for woodland animals, seasonal change, seasonal celebrations and festivals.

READING

Please share the books sent home with your child. Once you have shared the book, please write a comment about your child's reading in their reading record in order to receive a new book. Please ensure the books and reading record are returned in your child's book bag. Books will be sent home every week on Wednesdays and they will need to be returned to school every Wednesday.

C&L

This half term we will be developing our speaking and listening skills. During role play children will have the opportunity to introduce a storyline or narrative, using language developed from their experiences and stories they have read. We will also be focusing on listening to and talking about what happens in different story books.

RE

This half term the focus will be 'How do Christians celebrate Christmas?' In this unit, the children will have the chance to learn what happens when a baby is born and how it is celebrated. They will also learn about the Christmas Story and how Christmas is celebrated today.

PHONICS

This half term the children will participate in daily phonics sessions to enable them to recognise, read and write the 26 sounds of the alphabet.

This half term the children will focus on the initial sounds in words, recognising the level 2/3 sounds and blending level 2/3 sounds together in simple VC and CVC words.

PE

This half term the children will be developing their physical skills through exploring space, moving in different ways, changing directions and following simple game rules.

Our PE day is Tuesday. Please ensure your child is not wearing earrings on Tuesdays for safety in PE.

PSHE

This half term the children will be focusing on sharing and taking turns. They will also look at how they might feel if something is taken without permission and how they would resolve problems.

MUSIC

This half term the children will learn to sing the songs for our winter performance. We will also be putting actions to the songs. We will find the pulse in the songs and show this using different actions. We will also explore using instruments to perform the songs that we have learnt.