



Kirklevington Primary School
Willow Newsletter Spring Term 2021

Happy New Year, everyone! We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and wish you all the best for 2021. We hope you are all safe and well and are managing with the situation that we have found ourselves in once again.

Our topics for this term are:
'Magical Potions' and 'Bears'

Communication, Language and Literacy

This half term, our topic is 'Magic Potions'. We will be basing much of our learning on different story books, such as *Meg and Mog*, *Winnie the Witch* and *Room on the Broom*. The children will have chance to create their own witch character, their own spell and make a magic potion. There will be opportunities for reading a variety of spooky stories and the children might even decide to write their own magical story!

Next half term, our topic is 'Bears'. The children will be story tellers and learn to retell the story of *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* and *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*. Hopefully the weather will be pleasant enough for them to get outside and have their own *Teddy Bear's Picnic*. The children will write invites, plan their own menus and make their own picnic food.

In our Letter and Sounds sessions the children will be recapping our phase 2 sounds and learning to segment and blend CVC words. The children will also be learning to read some high frequency 'tricky words', like 'the' and 'go'.

Mathematics

In our Numeracy sessions, we will be focussing on number bonds to five, and then progressing onto number bonds to ten. The children will look closely at the numbers six to ten, thinking about how we can represent numbers in different ways. We will introduce the children to addition and subtraction, within ten, and begin to introduce the idea of recording our work using marks that we can interpret and explain. To finish the term, we will look at 2D and 3D shapes, and their properties, and use mathematical language to describe them.

Home Learning

The home learning activities, where possible, will be the same activities that are being delivered in the classroom, to those children who are in school. We understand that everyone's situation is different and appreciate that it is difficult to complete all tasks that are sent home. We endeavour to make sure that we send home enough activity suggestions for each day, so that you have enough activities to do with your child, should you need them. Please only do what you can - every little helps and will enable your child to continue to develop and make progress whilst they are staying safe at home. Play in the Early Years is incredibly important and underpins the whole Early Years curriculum. In school, the children spend much of their school day engaging in play, so try to remember that play is also learning!

We hope you find this information useful and if there you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Burns and Mrs Stainthorp

