



Waddesdon Village Primary School
Pathway to Excellence
Year R Curriculum Newsletter
Autumn 2 2022



English

We will be looking at a range of genres linking to our topic, including retell stories related to events through acting/role play. We will be creating Christmas letters and lists. We will be thinking about how stories have a beginning, middle and end. In phonics we will be blending sounds into words, so that we can read short words made up of known letter– sound correspondences.

Our key books this term will be:

- Goldilocks and the three bears
- Jack and the beanstalk
- The Jolly Christmas Postman



Physical Development

We will be continuing our Funky Fingers 4 times a week, where we focus on fine motor skills to strengthen our fingers for writing. We will continue to work on forming letters correctly. In PE we will be focussing on fundamental movement skills such as hopping, skipping, jumping and travelling. This will be linked to our school production 'A Wiggly Nativity'.

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Terrific Tales



Weekly schedules:

PE is on a Thursday

(please remember to wear PE kit to school that day. As the weather is getting colder please make sure children are wearing long sleeved tops and jogging bottoms).

Library and Show and Tell are on a Friday.

Phonics

This term we will be learning the following new graphemes:
J, v, w, x, y, z, zz, qu, ch, sh, th, ng, nk, ai, ee, igh and oa. We will be working extremely hard on recognising these sounds and previously taught sounds within words and blend them together to read words accurately.

Please refer to the video that will be uploaded onto tapestry about robot arms, segmenting and blending to support with reading at home. Please continue to practise recognising the HRS words that are sent home in the word card folder each week. Practising these will really support your child's progress.

Mathematics

This term we will be continuing with our mastering number programme. We will be continuing to develop our conceptual subertising skills, counting, comparing sets of objects and we will also be beginning to *identify wholes and parts*.

RE

This half term in RE we will be focusing on What is Christmas and how different people celebrate it.

Understanding the World

We will be exploring a range of texts, and introduce the children to a range of fictional characters and creatures from stories and to begin to differentiate these characters from real people in their lives.



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Communication and Language;

We will be retelling stories using story language. We will be thinking about following instructions and understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important.

Personal, Social and Emotional

We will be developing our ability to play co-operatively, as well as resolving conflicts. We will think about our emotions and how different scenarios make us feel.

Final word

Just a few reminders:
Please check your child's book bag as sometimes there are letters in there for you.

Please ensure your child has a water bottle for use in the classroom and they are to only have water not squash or juice.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be discussing fireworks and creating firework pictures thinking about the colours that we see.
We will use different textures and materials to make a giant's castle from the story Jack and the Beanstalk and a wide range of Christmas crafts.



How you can support your child at home:

Reading at home is the most important activity you can complete with your child. Ideally, you should do this every day but at least 4 times a week. This should take the form of you reading to them as well as them reading to you. Before they are at the stage of being able to sound out words, it is important to ask children which letters they recognise, what sound they make, and even to orally segment (sound out!) the words for them to see if they can then blend those sounds together to hear the complete word.

Please note: This is only a guide. Due to the nature of Early Years the learning follows the children's interests, so other activities may crop up as the children change and learn.

- Show and Tell
Photo of a place that is special
4/11/22—Claydon
11/11/22—Hartwell
18/11/22—Mentmore
25/11/22—Ascott
2/12/22—Claydon
9/12/22—Hartwell
16/12/22—Mentmore

Important Dates:

Tues 1st Nov	Children return
Tues 8th Nov	Open afternoon for parents/ carers in Classes R, 1 and 2 2.30pm – 3.20pm
Thurs 10th Nov	Flu vaccinations
Fri 18th Nov	Children in Need
Tues 22nd Nov	Parents' Evening
Wed 23rd Nov	Parents' Evening
Mon 5th Dec	EYFS and KS1 nativity dress rehearsal – 10am
Tues 6th Dec	EYFS and KS1 nativity performance – 2pm
Wed 7th Dec	EYFS and KS1 nativity performance – 6pm
Fri 9th Dec	PAWS Christmas Bazaar
Tues 13th Dec	Christmas dinner
Wed 14th Dec	PAWS Christmas Disco
Mon 19th Dec	EYFS and KS1 Party
Tues 20th Dec	Break up at 3.20pm

