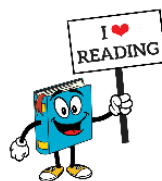


**In LITERACY this term we are learning to...**

- Illustrate with detail and create scribed stories.
- Use a pincer hold and form letters correctly.
- Recognise, read, write and sound out the letters - a, t, p, n, i, s, m, r, e, h, d, o, g, f, u, b
- Recognise rhyming in stories and songs.
- Word build and blend using sounds, letters and a variety of materials.
- Recognise and write the 'tricky words' - I, he, the, she.
- Recognise what a character is.
- Talk about the basic concepts of print - title, author, front, back, sentences, words, letters etc.
- Learning how to build a sentence.
- Learning to listen for and follow instructions.
- Talking about their experiences, thoughts and feelings and listening to those of others.



**In NUMERACY AND MATHEMATICS we are learning to...**

- Manipulate numbers quickly and accurately through daily mental maths agility.
- Form numbers correctly.
- Count collections of objects up to 20, learning that numbers represent quantities.
- Order and sequence up and down a number line.
- Spot, create, explore and discuss patterns.
- Sort and match in a variety of ways, deciding what belongs where and explaining their choices.
- Talk about routines, days, months, years and seasons and recording them in different ways such as writing the short date e.g. 22.08.17

Our Stockbridge Counts focus is counting forwards and backwards.



**In HEALTH AND WELLBEING ...**

P.E. lessons will be taught on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. The main focus of these lessons will be learning to move their body well, exploring how to manage and control their body and finding out how to use and share space. Please ensure that your child has a full and named P.E. kit each week. Please also **NO SHIRTS AND TIES** on a gym day where possible.

The children have been involved in creating their class charter, as well as learning the school Golden Rules.

As part of the Building Resilience programme we will be learning about 'Make a Difference. In this unit we will learn...

- Things humans do have an impact on the world.
- Children can contribute to solving problems in the world.
- Small things can make a meaningful difference.



**Our INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING TOPIC this term is...**

The Everywhere Bear & The Gruffalo - by Julia Donaldson

We will be using these books for our learning this term. The children will be getting to know the Everywhere Bear and we will introduce our own class bear. We will provide opportunities to explore these topics through purposeful play, Language and Literacy, Expressive Arts, Health and Wellbeing and RME.

By the end of the topics your child will:

- Be able to make links with journeys around the world and get to know their way around the school.
- Be able to share their feelings and thoughts about starting P1 and talk about what they enjoy at school.
- Discuss how our friends are different to us and how we treat others, no matter how different they are.

Our class bear will come home at weekends with the children and we will encourage them to draw/ write about the fun they have with it. This will be shared with the class on a Monday.

**OTHER LEARNING AND WIDER SCHOOL LIFE...**

- We will be looking at the Seasons and relate this to Harvest and how the weather makes a difference to us.
- Learning Greetings and Feelings in our French Fridays.
- We will be using ICT to support numeracy and literacy using the SmartBoard and iPads.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> September we will have a whole school visit from M&M Productions who will perform A Little Princess.

We will be working on building our identity as a class and you will receive a copy of our **CLASS CHARTER**. Please ensure you read this with your child and sign it.



**OTHER NEWS AND REMINDERS...**

Please try and encourage your child to complete at least one task from the home learning wall each week. Your zippy bag of sounds and tricky words require daily practise. (These will be coming home shortly)

Pupils should bring their book bags to school **every day**. Please check schoolbags for letters, permission slips etc.

Please remember to check your child's **ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL** regularly and make comments. We are really keen to hear about their wider achievements and you can record these on the Online Journal.

All children should come to school with a jacket (regardless of the weather) to allow us to take learning outdoors. Please provide a named water bottle every day for your child (water only please).

We look forward to meeting you at the Curriculum Evening on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm.

Miss Collier, Mrs Mitchell & Mrs Flanagan