



EYFS TOPIC NEWSLETTER

Spring Term 2022



Walt Disney Wonders (4 weeks)

Next half term, our unit of work is based on the Disney stories, 'Frozen', 'Toy Story' and 'Moana'. Throughout the topic, we will read a range of Disney stories and learn many new songs. During the first week of the new topic, the children will watch 'Toy Story' as they will be writing about the characters and learning all about toys of the past and present.

Within the topic, the children will learn about hot and cold countries around the world, write character descriptions and explore water and ice. The children will learn about different instruments, practise playing them to a beat and create their own music. We will also provide extra role-play resources so that the children can put on their own performances by singing or dancing, and make their own tickets to buy and sell for their shows.

Pirates Ahoy! (2 weeks)

Our next exciting topic is all about Pirates! We start the topic with our 'Sparkly Starter' where we invite the children to come dressed up as a pirate or simply bring a dressing up prop e.g. pirate hat. We will capture the children's imaginations and immerse them into Pirates Ahoy by learning a sea shanty, and through drama, will become pirate crew to search for hidden treasure on an island. During this topic, we will read many pirate stories and use our imaginations to create and write our own. We will create our own pirate maps and will explore concepts such as floating and sinking.

Home Learning Activity

For the children's home learning, we would like them to learn about pirates. You may want to write some interesting pirate facts or use your imagination to create your own pirate story. You could draw pictures, make treasure maps, or create a model.

Please ensure your child's home learning is sent into school by Friday 1st April. All home learning will be shared in class and all of the children that participate will receive a certificate.

Focus Author

Each half term we learn about an author and we read a range of their books. Our focus author next half term is **Michael Rosen** who wrote various books, including 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and 'Little Rabbit Foo Foo.' It would be fantastic if you could share any books by this author at home or visit the local library to borrow some books written by this author.

Supporting at Home

We are so incredibly proud of the children and the hard work they are putting into their learning. We know that this is due to the partnership we have formed with you as parents and carers. Please continue to read with your child at least 3 times a week, continue to complete the weekly home learning challenges and record your 'wow' moments in the stars. If you are unsure about how to support your child with their learning at home, please speak to your child's class teacher, who will be more than willing to help and support you.

Diary Dates

Monday 1st March – Start of Book Week

Thursday 3rd March – World Book Day (Children to come into school dressed as their favourite book character)

Thursday 24th March – EYFS Walt Disney Wonders Performances:

Ladybirds and Dragonflies – 9.30am

Bumblebees and Butterflies – 10.45am

Friday 25th March – Fraser Class Photographs

Monday 28th March – Rights Respecting Week

Monday 28th March – Pirate Drama Day (children can come in dressed as a pirate or bring a pirate prop)

Friday 1st April – Pirate home learning due

Wednesday 6th April – Easter Treats Day

Friday 8th April – Break up for the Easter holidays – 3pm finish

P.E. –Dance

During this half term, the children will be learning to improve their agility, balance and coordination through stories and games, as well as learning new dance routines for our Walt Disney Wonders topic.

PE days are as follows:

Monday – Ladybirds

Tuesday – Bumblebees

Wednesday – Dragonflies

Thursday – Butterflies

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Thank you for your continued support.

The Early Years Team

*Miss Gale, Miss Myers, Miss Smith, Miss Ramsden, Mrs Young, Mrs Young, Mrs Sims,
Mrs Gould, Mrs Tout, Mrs Heeks and Mrs Dickson.*