

YEAR GROUP: Pre-School

DATE: February & March

TIME ALLOCATION: 6 weeks

TEACHER: Miss Byers

Literacy

This half term, we will be reading the story 'Owl Babies'. We will be exploring who is in Bill's family, and discussing who is in our own families.

As it is World Book Day this half term, we will also be exploring some of our favourite stories and characters, and we are looking forward to dressing up on Thursday 5th March!

Maths

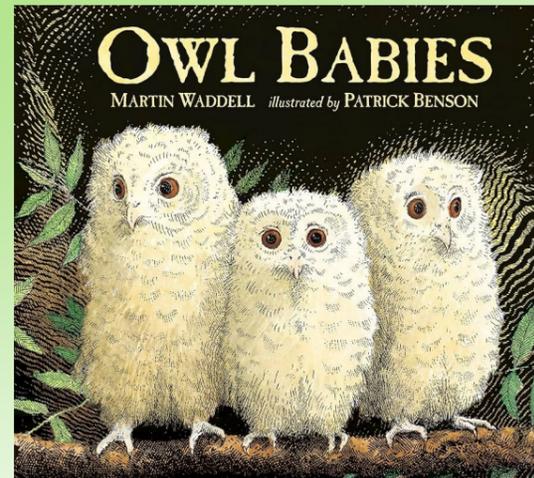
In maths, we will be developing our understanding of numbers to 6, by counting, subitising, and learning to recognise numerals. We will also look at a tens frame for the first time. We will explore mass and capacity, and will begin to use words like long and short when we are measuring.

Understanding the World

During this half term, we will be exploring how chocolate changes when we heat and cool it. As it is nearly Easter, we will talk about Easter and how it is celebrated by Christians. We will also begin to explore maps, and will use our new skills as part of an Easter Egg Hunt.

We will also begin to explore how we can move Beebots by programming them.

Me and My World Around Me (Near)



WHY?

We will be learning more about how things change and grow, by looking at life-cycles. We will also be thinking about how we change and grow, from babies to adults, and will be learning about the things we can do to keep our bodies healthy and strong.

WOW:

We will be meeting some real-life owls when a special visitor comes to school.

OUTCOME:

The children will have a better understanding of how things change as they grow.

Communication and Language

This half term we will be learning how to use our voices to tell others how we feel, and to talk about how other people are feeling, too.

We will be learning to use vocabulary from stories to re-tell them in our play, and will begin to use 'and' and 'because' to link our ideas together.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

As it is Mother's Day in March, we will be talking about our what makes our mummies special.

Our Jigsaw topic this half term is 'Healthy Me'. We will be naming basic parts of the body and talking about what we need to do to keep healthy as part of this unit.

Physical Development

This term, Pre-School will be developing their gross motor skills, and in particular our catching skills. We will have lots of opportunities to play outside with different sized balls, throwing and catching them with our friends.

We will continue to work on our fine motor skills in our weekly 'Dough Disco' sessions, and as part of our 'Funky Fingers' challenges.

Expressive Arts and Design

In EAD, we will be experimenting with different materials and seeing what happens when we print with them. We will be using different techniques of printing to make our Mother's Day and Easter cards.

We will also be singing lots of familiar nursery rhymes, and will work in our Small World area to tell the story of Owl Babies using props.

SMSC

We will be particularly focusing on manners and thinking about other people's needs over the course of this topic.

BRITISH VALUES

We will be finding out about respect for others as well as incorporating ideas about why we have rules, deciding things together and discussing why it's okay to have different ideas.

TOPIC HOMEWORK

This half term we will be asking the children to explore outside and send any pictures of signs of Spring on Seesaw, so we can look at them together.

ASSESSMENT

In the Early Years, we assess children continuously by observing what they do, talking to them about their thinking and looking at the work that they produce.