

**YEAR GROUP:** Reception

**DATE:** January / February 2026

**TIME ALLOCATION:** 6 Weeks

**TEACHERS:** Miss O'Connor

## Literacy

We will be reading "The Smartest Giant in Town", and talking about how he is proud of his achievements. We will be working hard this term to be proud of the work we produce. We will then move on to exploring the roles of people who help us in our community, such as doctors, police officers, and bus drivers. We will explore these roles further by reading non-fiction books about them.

## Maths

In maths we will be exploring the composition of numbers 6,7,8,9 and 10. We will be working hard to look at how we can make each number and learn what each numeral looks like. We will also be exploring measurement and capacity in our outdoor area using a range of materials.

## Understanding the World

At the start of this term, we will be learning all about Lunar New Year, and will explore how this special festival is celebrated.

Over this half term we will be discussing different people who help us. We will get the opportunity to meet some of these special people and talk about the important jobs they do.

# Me and My World of Heroes



### WHY?

We will be learning about different people's roles and how they help us with our daily lives. This will allow us to understand the importance of different roles in society and how everyone is unique. It will also provide us with plenty of opportunities to ask questions, build relationships and respect others.

### WOW:

We will be meeting everyday heroes from our communities and learning more about how they help us.

### OUTCOME:

The children will understand how people in different job roles help us in our communities.

## Communication and Language

This half term we will continue to develop our listening skills. We will be listening carefully to our stories and answering questions about what we have heard. We will also have the opportunity to ask questions to our special visitors. We will also be completing some team games.

In phonics we will use our listening skills to develop our knowledge of digraphs. We also be listening carefully as we blend and segment lots of words.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

In Jigsaw, we will be talking about our dreams and goals, and will be thinking about how we have to keep trying our best, even when things are tricky.

We will be using team games to enhance our communication and listening skills as we play with our friends.

## Physical Development

This term we will be taking part in a Dragon Dance, as part of our learning about Lunar New Year.

We will continue be using our funky fingers across a range of areas in the classroom, we are especially focusing on our scissor skills. We will also be developing our gross motor skills in our outdoor area.

### 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 talking about why we have rules, how we can decide things together and why it's okay to have different ideas.

### TOPIC HOMEWORK

Can you think about who helps you?  
Phonics / weekly reading.

### 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.

## Expressive Arts and Design

In EAD, we will be using our junk modelling area to build our own boats using a range of materials.

We will be learning a poem to help with washing our hands.