

## English

In English this half term we will be continuing to work in smaller groups appropriate to our stage of need.

We will be starting by looking at instructional texts to discover the features and moving on to write our own instructions too.

We will also be focusing on narratives, advertising and persuasive language and letter writing in the busy term ahead.

# The Forest Autumn Term 2 Newsletter

Please remember to read **EVERY NIGHT**. Parents, carers, older siblings and pupils can sign reading record entries – Some of our older children will also have some reading related homework.

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## The Forest

We have been continuing to develop our new teaching areas working on The Branch to support our play based curriculum for those children learning at that stage and our sensory area. We are really proud of how they are coming on. We hope to develop the outdoor area next so look out for photographs on Twitter.

## Maths

In Maths we will also be working in smaller focus groups around a theme, but with each group working on the objectives appropriate to them based on assessments made by the teachers.

We will begin with a focus on money so please support this at home by recognising coins, counting money, paying for items and working out change at home.

We will then be looking at 2d and 3d shape, then statistics and graphs.

## EHCPs:

There will be dedicated time each week to ensure that any therapies identified in individual EHCPs take place. This includes those recommended by the SALT pathways identified for pupils. We will continue to be supported by Penny Moran for all areas of speech and lanauaae.

## Curriculum

Our curriculum will focus on the needs of our children with language and communication at the heart of our learning. PSHE, motor skills and Memory and Processing development will be woven through the topics we cover. On Thursday afternoons we will be completing some food activities both as part of developing life skills and to help with some sensory needs. Children will take part on alternate weeks. Please let us know if your child has any allergies.

## PSHE:

Our topic continues with us looking at the Ten Helpful Habits advocated in My Inner Chimp. These include smiling, accepting no means no, saying sorry and sharing. Please ask your child about these each week.

## PE:

PE will take place every week so children will need to come to school wearing their PE kit on Fridays. As the weather is getting colder, blue or black jogging bottoms and a school jumper can also be worn. No hoodies please.

## All About Me: Toys and Games

This half term we are learning about where toys and games come from. We will also be making some toys and games of our own and hope to host a virtual toy museum at the end of the term to show off what we produce.

We are lucky enough to have Mrs Brighthouse with us every Thursday to enable Mrs Mitchell and Miss Donoghue to have planning and assessment time. The children know Mrs Brighthouse well and enjoy learning with her.

We hope you find this newsletter useful and if you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to contact school on Class Dojo. Thank you from Mrs Mitchell, Miss Donoghue and The Forest Team

## Homework:

Please use TT Rockstars to continue learning tables. Please ask if you need a password reminder.