

Communication & Language

We will continue to listen to stories with increasing **attention and recall**. We will be discussing the elements of stories and the characters. We will learn to join in with repeated refrains and anticipate key events and phrases in rhymes and stories.

At home it will help if you continue to read with your child daily and talk about the events of a story: *What might happen? Who were the characters? What happened first? Next? Last? What did you like about the story?*

Spelling & Homework

You will receive a Homework Passport detailing projects and questions for you and your child to complete at home. All homework is carefully chosen to link closely with your child's school learning.

Spellings will be sent home on Tuesdays: the children will have 1 week to find out the meaning of each word as well as learn the correct spelling for their spelling test on the following Tuesday.

If you have the internet at home, your child has a unique username and password that they can use to access Mathletics, an online programme subscribed to by the school to help our children to improve and reinforce their maths skills.

<http://uk.mathletics.com/signin/>

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be learning about **Celebrations** and talking about **How We Feel** when we celebrate different events such as birthdays, Eid, Diwali, Christmas etc. Children will begin to understand and respect that people come from different cultures and celebrate different events.

At home you can talk to your child about different celebrations that are important and special to you and your family. Keep encouraging your child to take turns and share.

Understanding the World

We will be learning about celebrations. We will be exploring light in more detail linked to fireworks and Diwali.

At home you can help by talking about different experiences and celebrations and reading books about autumn and the changes that occur in this season.

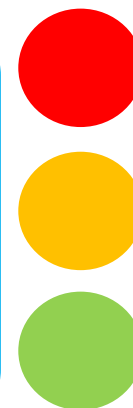


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Curriculum Information

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Reception

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Successful Learners

Literacy

We will continue to teach RWI phonics.
<http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/parents/>

Phonics lessons take place daily and we will be reading and beginning to attempt writing stories.

We will continue to practise forming letters correctly and, develop our reading by building our knowledge of simple Consonant Vowel Consonant (CVC) words.

For example: 'cat', 'hop', 'man', 'sat'.

We will continue practise writing our name daily.

Continue read at home with your child every day. Ensure variety by reading stories, poems and fiction books and take time to explain the meanings of different words. Continue to encourage your child to practise writing their name and forming letters correctly.

At The Devonshire Hill Nursery and Primary School, we strive to ensure our children are prepared for the world in which they will grow up to live in.

We teach our children:

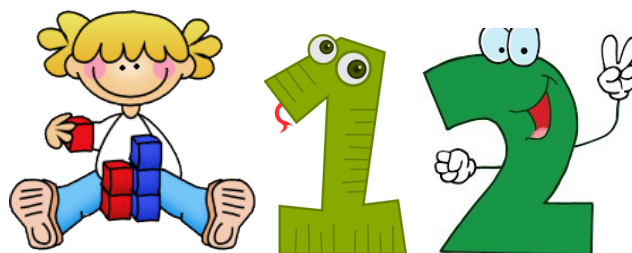
Responsibility
Initiative
Curiosity
Optimism

Independence
Generosity
Perseverance
Social Intelligence

Mathematics

We are introducing **Mathematics Mastery**, this is an exciting maths scheme which we will be using in Reception. The children will learn through 'hands-on' investigation which will help them to develop a deeper understanding of key mathematical concepts.

We will begin with a clear focus on reasoning and problem solving. We will learn the key concepts about pattern, shape and size. We will estimate and check by counting 1 or 2 objects reliably and learning to recognise if a number of objects are the same or different (we will do this working with numbers 1-10). We will be using abstract materials and describe and create patterns that are the same and different.



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Expressive Art and Design

The children will continue to use a variety of different resources to create simple representations of events, people and objects. They will explore different colours and topics linked to fireworks and Diwali.

Continue to support your child by encouraging them to draw, paint and use scissors correctly. Encourage your child to develop their imaginary skills by encouraging inventiveness, offering support and advice on occasions and ensuring that they have experiences that stimulate them.

Physical Development

We will be developing our gross and fine motor skills by learning to move freely and with pleasure and confidence in a range of ways such as slithering, shuffling, rolling, crawling, walking, running, jumping, skipping, sliding and hopping. Encourage your child to dress and undress independently. Encourage your child to eat using a knife and fork and discuss healthy foods.

PE will be on Fridays.

All children are required to take part in physical education. Please ensure that your child has a school PE kit with plimsolls in school on their PE day.