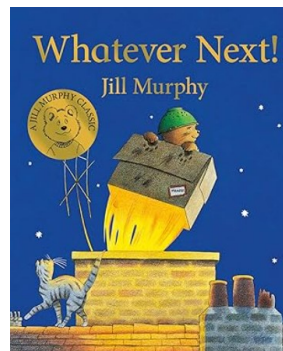
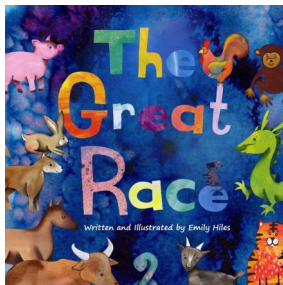


Our Learning

This half term we will continue to learn about different celebrations as we celebrate our New Year and the Lunar New year as well as other key events like Valentines day and Shrove Tuesday.

We will continue to develop our independence as we access and explore new activities and resources in our classroom.

Books we will be sharing this half term...



Communication and Language

We will be learning to know about and talk about the different things that contribute to our overall health and wellbeing. We will continue to manage our own needs; retrieving our own belongings and being independent in our choices and play.

Physical Development

Our weekly PE sessions will involve developing and refining a range of ball skills including throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming.

We will still be practicing collecting our PE kits and getting change for PE by ourselves and trying to do it speedier.

Personal, Social, and Emotional Development

We will continue to navigate respectful relationships and learn about how to be kind to others even if we disagree or have different opinions.

Literacy

We will review and continue to use all our single letter and special friend RWI sounds.

We will then begin reading short 'ditties' which match the sounds we know.

We will continue to practise reading and writing CVC words and common exception words (no, I go, the into, put, of, my).



Mathematics

We will be continuing to subitise to 5 and begin to subitise to 10. Through play we will explore the composition of numbers by focusing on the parts and the whole.

cardinal number value to 10. We will explore measures by comparing height, length and mass.

Understanding the World

We will enjoy the winter weather by exploring frost and snow.

We will be learning about maps and will have lots of fun, reading and navigating a map of our classroom to find hidden objects, and larger aerial view maps of our immediate school environment and maps from imaginary story settings we are familiar with.

R.E.

We will continue to learn the Nativity story– focusing on the visit of the three Magi. We will then begin to learn about the life of Jesus when he was an adult.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will focus on the work of artist Vincent Van Gogh. We will learn about his life and his painting Starry Night. We will use this as inspiration to create our own starry Night pictures.

This term we will enjoy a music session with Bolton Music Service every week, we will be learning to listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing our feelings and responses.

How You Can Help

- Bring your child to school everyday on time at **8.40am**.
- Share your child's learning from home by uploading images to Tapestry.
- Ensure your child uses a **knife and fork** when eating at home and encourage them to get dressed and undressed independently.
- Ensure your child is using the toilet correctly at home and is washing their hands thoroughly afterwards.
- Reduce the amount of time your child spends on screens, including tablets and watching television. Spend more time outdoors whatever the weather!
- **Listen to your child read every day** as well as reading them a bedtime story every night.
- Speak with your child as you carry out different activities at home to develop their language and understanding of the world.



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