



Howden Church Of England Infant School
Foundation Stage Two
Summer term 1 2021

This term we are learning about ...

Traditional tales



The foundation stage framework is a unique curriculum where children are encouraged to explore the world around them through active learning and play based experiences both indoors and outdoors.

If your child comes home and says they have been "just playing" you know that they have been having fun and learning.

The curriculum has three prime areas (Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Physical Development and Communication and Language) and four specific areas (Mathematics, Literacy, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design)

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term we will continue to encourage the children to grow in their maturity and independence when tackling challenges and solving their own problems. We will use the characteristics of effective learning to encourage children to set challenges and persevere with their learning. We will use stories to talk about how they and others may be feeling and how their actions can affect other people. We continue to work towards our golden rules as well as helping others

Independent challenge

Can you do a challenge?

Can you find new ways to do things?

Communication and Language

This term we want children to confidently retell stories in order including details about characters, settings and events. We will be developing listening, attention, understanding, following instructions and concentration.

Independent challenges

Can you retell a story in the right order?

Can you talk about the characters, settings and events in a story?

Can you follow instructions?



Physical Development

This term, we will be continuing to practise our ball skills and playing simple games in small groups. We will be practising forming letters and numerals correctly using a pencil and a tripod grip.

The last week of term will be a healthy minds and bodies week. We will be doing lots of food sampling and talking about healthy food choices. We will talk about ways that we care for ourselves to keep clean, safe and healthy. We will talk about ways to keep safe e.g. carrying scissors correctly, crossing roads, walking in school etc.

Independent challenges

Can you dress and undress independently?

Can you talk about ways to keep healthy?

Can you demonstrate safe choices at home and school?

As our phonics sessions continue we will be improving our reading and writing skills by practising blending and segmenting captions and sentences. We will be consolidating phase 3 / 4 and children will become more confident applying digraphs within words when they read and write as well as recognising the tricky words. We will continue to practise letter formations including naming the capital letter as well as the phoneme. We will be talking about the books that we have read and encouraging children to answer questions to develop their comprehension skills. We will be sharing traditional tales, talking about the characters, setting and the plot. The children will be using these in their writing.

Independent challenges

Can you form all your letters correctly?

Can you talk about your reading book and answer questions?

Can you write the phase two, three and four tricky words?

Can you write a sentence with a capital letter at the start and to end in a full stop?

Mathematics

In mathematics we will continue counting, sequencing and recognising the numbers to 20 and count in 2's, 5's and 10's. We will build upon the last terms work of practically adding and subtracting and working on recording number sentences with 2 digit numbers. We will introduce halving and doubling practically. We will be looking at time and sequencing simple events in the day. We will practise writing numbers with correct formation and remember the number formation rhymes.

Independent challenges

Can you recognise and write numbers to 20?

Can you form numerals correctly?

Can you recite the days of the week?



Understanding the World

This term we will be planting seeds and learning to care for them. We would really appreciate any donations of seeds or young plants to brighten up our outdoor area. (Thank you)

We will be thinking about different materials when we are learning about the traditional story of the Three Little Pigs.

We will be thinking about the Christian Creation Story.

Independent challenges

Can you talk about what seeds need to grow?

Can you recognise things that are wood, plastic or metal?

Expressive Arts and Design

This term we will be painting pictures from the traditional stories, encouraging children to use appropriate colours and adding lots of detail into their work. We will be building houses using large den making equipment. We will learn a variety of new songs based upon familiar stories

Independent challenges

Can you paint a character from a traditional story?

Can you make a model of a house?

Can you make a puppet of a character?



Parent Partnership

Please can you ensure that your child brings their reading book / word wall folder to school daily.

Thank you

Mrs McCarthy and Miss Luckins