



Shakespeare Primary School and Nursery

Reception Newsletter Spring 1 2022

Don't Forget...

- Please ensure your child brings their book bag to school everyday. We are teaching your child the skills to become readers. Please look at their home reading book together and encourage them to blend the words.
- Please use your Tapestry account so that we can share with each other your child's WOW learning moments from home and school.
- Every week, slides to support your child's learning in Phonics will be posted to Tapestry. Please use these to help you support your child's reading and writing at home.
- Also, each week on Tapestry you will find a Word Mat explaining the vocabulary we will be teaching your child in school that week. Please reinforce the words with the children at home to help retain them.
- Lots of our exciting moments are tweeted. Follow us at @shakespearels9

Important Dates

- School reopens Wednesday 5th January 2022.
- School closes for half term holidays Friday 18th February 2022.

Our Learning Project for Spring 1 is...Me and My Community

This project has been developed from the children's learning during Big World, Little Me in Autumn 1 and storytelling with a diversity theme during Tell Me a Story in Autumn 2. The project will focus on the local area and the community where the children live. The children have been really interested in talking about themselves, their family, religion and culture and have been observed using these key themes during their role-play routines. They have also loved seeing themselves represented in the key text selections, such as The Proudest Blue and My Hair. This has produced wonderful engagement and promoted vocabulary amongst the children. This new project 'Me and My Community' will continue to develop the learning and foster the interests the children have about themselves and their immediate world. We will be creating maps of our local area, going on local area walks and building small-world streets that are similar to that in which we live. We have also selected key texts that continue to represent the children and homes that they live in within their community, as well as exploring similarities and differences within peer groups.

Other Areas of Learning

- Maths – Digging deeper with numbers 1 to 5, comparing mass and capacity and representing, comparing and composition of 6, 7 and 8 with one-to-one correspondence and concept images.
- PE – Aiming, passing or batting a medium sized ball with a peer, increase speed of length of stillness in sequences of movements, developing an understanding of how to be safe in the community.
- Art – Learn about screen-printing and create a screen-print using a skyline template.
- Phonics – we will finish Letters and Sounds Phase 3 and begin Phase 4 in Spring 2.

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