



Year R News-Term 4

Phoenix Community Primary School



News

Our topic in term 4 is 'People and Vehicles Who Help us'.

We will be looking at the different organisations who help us including the RNLI, Ambulance service, Police, Fire Service, Builders, Farmers and Vets.

We will also be looking at the role these people play in our lives and what their jobs involve and how they are important to us. As well as the vehicles and equipment they use.

We will think about what we would like to find out about these different roles and how we can contact the emergency services.

We will learn how to make 999 calls in an emergency.

We will also be taking a trip to the Lifeboat station to see the RNLI and a trip to Mrs Lockwood's working farm to learn about the role of a farmer and to see the sheep lambing and calves at the farm.

We are also having some visitors into school to learn about their jobs, including a doctor and fire fighter.



Literacy

Our English work will be based around our topic of People and Vehicles Who help us, we will write about the different jobs and what they do. We will label the different parts of the vehicles and uniform.

We will also use some fiction books to focus on the different areas of reading and writing and will link these to Jobs. We will look at a book called Astro Girl and also What the Ladybird heard.

Maths



Much of our Maths teaching will continue to be through play based activities. We will also be using Number Blocks as starting points to our teaching. This term we will extend our numbers to 20 and continue counting beyond. We are starting to apply addition and subtraction concepts to our learning as well as combining sets of numbers. We will be looking at identifying shapes and repeating patterns

Phonics & Reading

In Reception we will be using Read, Write Ink, to teach the children their sounds, this term they will be learning digraphs—two letters to make one sound.



Please read with your child and ensure you write in their purple book so we can change their reading books regularly. I cannot stress enough the importance of reading at home with your child. Please also read them a bedtime story, it is precious time together.

PE— Takes place every Friday. As the weather is colder and the children may be outside for many of their lessons as they will be looking at ball skills. Children will need to wear their school jumper over their PE kit.

Children are to come into school in their PE kits with a school jumper. Plain black joggers or leggings in this colder weather, not patterns or colours please. In the very cold weather children will also wear their coats for PE.





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Important Dates

Trips and activities linked to our topic

Visiting doctor in school to talk about their job– Thursday 22nd February

Trip to Littlestone RNLI– Wednesday 6th March

Farm trip– Wednesday 13th March

I cannot stress how important it is to read with your child regularly at home. This will promote the love of reading as well as benefit their reading ability.

Outside Learning

The children will have access to the outside area during their Challenge sessions everyday, in all weathers.



Please ensure that you provide your child with suitable coats and footwear, if possible a pair of wellingtons that could stay at school.

Outdoor learning is a great way for children to explore and enquire about their environment . We will spend



PSHE

This term's PSHE focus is titled 'Healthy Me'. Across the school, the children will be learning about maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Their lessons will focus on exercising, food choices and electronic device use but also touches on subjects such as smoking, alcohol and drug use, In year R we will be talking about healthy diets and exercise. We understand that some of these areas can be delicate subjects to address however they will be taught and discussed with respect. Should you have any questions or queries about the PSHE curriculum please come and speak to us.



Home Learning

The work we set is based around our class topic, it is an opportunity for you to talk to your child about what they have learnt in school and to share in their joy of learning. The activities are fun based but use a wide range of skills they are developing.

We love to see what they have produced at home and will share their work in class with peers and with other adults in the class.

Thank you for all your efforts in completing these with your child, we appreciate your support.

Home Learning is given out on Friday to be returned the following week by Thursday. child.