

Literacy

This term we will be continuing with the Read, Write Inc phonics programme. We will be reading ditties (short stories) and reading books. We will be listening to lots of animal/farm stories, as well as learning about life cycles in non-fiction books. We will then move on to reading and listening to stories about pirates and the seaside. In writing we will be continuing to practise using our 'Fred Fingers' to segment and spell words. We will also be using our phonic skills to write sentences that can be read by ourselves and others.

Physical Development

This term we will be developing our athletics skills. We will be looking forward to using some of these skills in our whole school sports' day. We will also be continuing to learn about the importance of physical exercise and eating a balanced diet. In particular, we will be learning about healthy options for packed lunches and snacks. We will also be continuing to develop small gross motor skills in our handwriting.

Mathematics

This term we will be continuing to practise ordering, finding one more and 1 less to 20 and developing our understanding of addition/. We will also be estimating and solving problems, including doubling, halving and sharing. In addition to our number work we will also be learning the names and properties of 3D shapes.

We will also be continuing to practise our individual maths targets on a weekly basis.



Expressive Arts and Design

This term we will following step-by-step guides on how to draw a range of minibeasts. We will also be learning about colour mixing and making 3D models, using recycled boxes. In music, we will be listening and responding to 'Carnival of the Animals' a piece of music inspired by animals. We will be learning to sing songs about lifecycles such as There's a Tiny Caterpillar on a Leaf and The Tadpole Blues. Later in the term, we will learn songs about pirates and the seaside

Understanding the World

This term we will be learning about lifecycles. We are very excited to be getting 5 tiny caterpillars in school and are all looking forward to seeing how they change over time. We will be reading books such as The Hungry Caterpillar and The Teeny Weeny Tadpole to find out more about lifecycles. Later in the term, we will be learning about the seaside, as well as learning about floating and sinking.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

As we are learning about lifecycles and animals this term, in PSED we will be concentrating how to care for living things and their environments. To support this area of learning our role-play area this term will be West Rainton Vets. We will also be focusing on our school rules, relationships with our friends and adults in school. In circle time we will spend time talking and playing games all about being a good friend and how we treat people.