

College Park Infant School Curriculum Newsletter Year R



Our themes for the first half of this Autumn term are:
'Time to fly.'



We will be learning:-

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- The routines of the class and where to find everything.
- To share the equipment and space with others and to take turns.
- To try new things.
- What we like to do.

Mathematics

- To read the numbers up to 10 and know the order.
- To make our own repeating patterns.
- To play a simple dice game.
- To join in with number rhymes that help our counting.

Communication and Language

- To listen carefully when others are speaking.
- To express ourselves through talk.
- To think about our emotions and feelings.

Expressive Arts and Design

- To paint pictures choosing appropriate colours for the picture.
- To explore different materials to find out what they do.
- To respond to different rhythms using our voices or bodies.

Understanding the World

- That we are the same in some ways and different in others.
- To use the computer mouse to make different things happen.
- Take an interest in the people and events around us.

Physical Development

- How to keep safe in P.E. by being aware of others and the space around us.
- How our bodies can move.
- How to hold a pencil and other tools (paintbrushes, scissors, etc) effectively to help us to control them.

Literacy

- To begin to know sounds (phonemes) that go with some letter shapes (graphemes) and how to write them.
- To write our names in the cursive style.
- To talk about books and tell the story using the pictures.
- To listen for sounds we have learnt in spoken words.

Ways you can help

- Encourage your child to try things independently e.g. putting his/her coat on, getting dressed.
- Talk to your child about everything and anything. Encourage him/her to ask questions.
- Practise using scissors e.g. cutting pictures from magazines or shapes from paper to make a collage. Try some hand-strengthening activities to prepare your child for writing (see overleaf).
- Talk to your child about what they have learnt in school.
- Practise your child's Jolly Phonics with him/her ensuring they pronounce the sounds correctly. Help them to hear the sounds at the beginning of words. Use the rainbow letters to practise formation.
- Look out for the weekly bookmark with sounds, words and numbers we are learning about.