

## Spring Term Year: Reception

### Unit of Learning: How can we tell a story?

#### Overview:

This Unit of Learning focuses on Expressive Arts and the elements of music, dance, drama, and visual arts. Over the upcoming term, pupils will be developing their creativity, exploring different emotions as well as retelling stories in fun and imaginative ways.

Pupils will be encouraged to respond and retell stories creatively through art, dance, drama, film and digital media.

**Themes:** Communication, creativity, imagination

We will also celebrate the Lunar New Year, Dydd Santes Dwynwen and Saint David's Day during this term.

As part of our short term inquiry, we will be looking at the importance of following instructions in the correct order so that we can complete a task correctly.

#### Languages, Literacy & Communication

-Listening (identify pitch- loud and quiet, tempo- fast and slow).

-Listen to a variety of music genres (pop, rock etc) **BBC Musical Storyland**

-Respond creatively to literature heard, read or viewed.

-Devise (role-play, freeze frame), Voice (pitch, pace, projection), Character (facial expression and body language), Characterisation (taking on a role), Create and Perform.

-Engage in quality dialogue with their peers and other adults.

-Ask and answer questions using extended sentences with added detail.

-Use both sounding out and blending to help increase their independence when writing.

#### Mathematics & Numeracy

*Skills relating to Unit of Inquiry-*

-3D Modelling (junk modelling)

-Time (beat to a rhythm e.g. stomping), Space (travelling, high and low moves)

-Drawing (line drawings)

*Additional skills to cover/practice-*

-Numbers to 20 (recognition, formation, ordering, counting, addition and subtraction.

-Mass and capacity

-Length, height and time

-3D shapes

-Recognise numbers in different environments.

#### Ways to help at home

- Talk to the children about what they have been doing in Reception.
- Encourage children to play games to help develop fine motor skills.
- Read daily with your child, focusing on blending and sounding out the sounds they see- with a focus on CVC words.
- Regular number/letter formation practice at home.

#### Important Dates

- Wednesday and Friday are PE days.
- 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> March- Parents evening
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January- PTA 'Wear what you love' non uniform day.
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February- 1:30-2:30pm- Open afternoons- both reception classes.
- 27<sup>th</sup> March- class photos

**21/02/25- INSET**

**28/04/25- INSET**

**21/07/25- INSET**