



Montagu Academy
Striving for excellence, broadening horizons

Foundation Stage One

Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term (1)

In **Mathematics** we will be focussing on the following:

This half term the math's learning opportunities will be on going throughout the provision. The children will have the opportunity to recites numbers in order 1-10, to recognise numerals 1-5, and to begin to match numerals and quantities correctly.

In **Writing** we will be focussing on the following:

This half term the children will have plenty of opportunity to draw their favourite characters from the stories we will be learning about. The children will have the opportunity to learn to write their name with morning activities with parents. The children will also have the opportunity to mark make in the messy play area, making new and exciting marks with their hands.

In **Reading** we will be focussing on the following:

This half term the children will be learning about two different stories (Guess how much I love you and Where's my Teddy Bear?). The children will have to opportunity to listen to the stories and to retell the stories demonstrating their listening skills. The children will also be starting Phase One Phonics to focus on good listening skills.

Other areas of the curriculum

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| <p>Personal, social and Emotional Development</p> <p>This half term the children have a few weeks to settle into school getting used to their new teachers, the new exciting learning environment and the new routine. This topic "why do you love me so much?" will enable children to become confident to talk to others sharing their ideas, thoughts and feelings and building new relationships</p> | <p>Communication and language</p> <p>The children will have the opportunity to listen to others in small groups and to express their own personal learning experiences. Children will have the opportunity to ask "why" and "how" questions when introduced to an exciting visitor.</p> | <p>Physical Development</p> <p>The children have a P.E lesson once a week where the will explore the hall and play lots of different listening games to follow instructions.</p> |
| <p>Expressive Arts and Design</p> <p>The children will have plenty of opportunity to be creative in lots of different areas. The children will be able to paint, make masks and get messy in our messy play area outside. The children will enjoy singing their favorite songs and creating sounds with musical instruments.</p> | <p>Understanding the World</p> <p>Throughout the topic the children will discuss their own family and will learn similarities and differences that connect them to, and distinguish them from others. The children will have a lot of opportunity to remember and talk about significant events in their own experiences.</p> | <p>Other</p> <p>We are so excited for your children to start their adventure at Montagu academy.</p> |

Our **Imaginative Learning Project** theme is...



Why do you love me so much?

These are some of the things we'll be covering:

- The book "Guess how much I love you"
- The Book "Where's my Teddy Bear?"

Can you help? Anything associated with this half term's topic would be greatly appreciated! (Books, artefacts etc)

Homework

The children will be set homework every other week. Homework will be given out on a Wednesday and must be brought back to school the following Wednesday. Providing children with homework is a great opportunity for parents to see what your child is learning in school.

How you can support your child's learning at home

Always make sure homework is completed, so you gain a understanding what exciting activities your children are learning at school. Encourage children to follow instructions and promote good listening skills.

Other news...

Baking Money

Children will start to bake every Thursday. Baking money will need to be paid to provide the ingredients. This is **3 pound** for the year or **50p per half term**. Please hand this money to a member of the nursery staff in a envelope with your child's name on.

Book Bags

The children will be expected to change their book at school every Tuesday and Wednesday,. A book bag will be provided for your child, however if this is lost then you will need to pay for a new one at the cost of £4.50.