

# Beecroft Primary School

## Reception Curriculum Letter Autumn 2 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We will continue to send home a letter to let you know what the children are working on each half term.

### Literacy

This half term, we will be teaching the next sets of phonics sounds, including digraphs (two letter sounds) and one trigraph (three letter sound):

**j, v, w, x      y, z, zz, qu, ch      sh, th, ng, nk      ai, ee, igh, oa**

**There are video links under 'Phonics' on our school website to demonstrate the correct pronunciation of the sounds (phonemes).**

The children will learn to sound and blend words containing digraphs and continue to spell words by identifying the first, middle and end sound. Continue to help your child with their reading, ensuring they point to each word and remember to sound and blend new words. We will also continue to introduce new high frequency words (list attached to the front of the reading diaries) and 'harder to read and spell words' through the phonics programme, Essential Letters and Sounds.

The children will be writing sentences using a keyword bank, remembering to use a capital letter, finger spaces and a full stop and will continue to work on correct letter formation. They will practise segmenting words to use in their writing (spell the word by breaking it down into individual sounds). E.g. cat= c-a-t

### **Focus books**

Handa's Surprise by Eileen Brown, My Mum by Anthony Browne, Owl Babies by Martin Waddell, Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson

### Maths

The children will continue to develop their understanding of more and less, addition and subtraction through practical activities and they will start to learn how to write simple number sentences. They will compare and measure size and length, capacity and weight. They will explore 2D shapes and create and continue repeating patterns.

### Understanding the World

This half term, the children will be learning about light and dark/ night and day through a range of first-hand experiences, books, poems and songs. They will find out about sources of light, shadows, reflective materials and nocturnal animals.

They will also taste fruit from the story, 'Handa's Surprise' and use their senses to describe the fruit in simple sentences.

### Art and Design

The children will be printing using a range of media and techniques.

### Physical Education (P.E)

P.E will continue every Thursday. Please ensure your child has a **labelled** PE kit in school. PE uniform: Plain navy blue or black shorts, plain navy blue or black tracksuit bottoms and a plain round neck white t-shirt (no logo) as well as a pair of socks and trainers for outside.

Please don't hesitate to ask if you ever have any questions or would like an update on your child's progress.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Stuart, Miss Hussey and Mrs Such