

Literacy

We will focus our learning on books that link to our topic and labelling characters and object using the speak well wheel starters 'It is' and 'It has' when describing. We will also be encouraging the children to use the grapheme mats to support their writing by finding the graphemes they can hear in words.

In Phonics we will be learning the following:

ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, **oo**, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear, air, er

words with double letters: dd, mm, tt, bb, rr, gg, pp, ff

Longer words

New tricky words- was, you, they. My, by, all, are, pure, sure

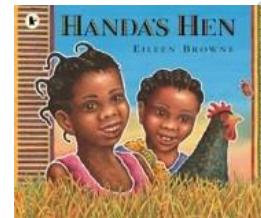
Understanding the World

This half term lots of our learning will be about recognising some environments that are different from the one in which we live looking at contrasting environments.

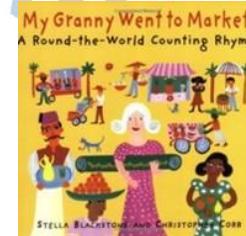
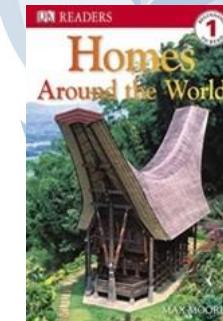
We will also learn about the season **Winter** and how the changing seasons looks around us describing what we can hear, see and feel whilst outside.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This half-term we will continue our 'Think Equal' sessions and focus on using the mood meter to describe our emotions and kindness.



Spring 1 Learning in Reception Around the World



Communication and Language

Each week we will learn new vocabulary linked to our story of the week and encourage the children to use this new vocabulary throughout the day. We will encourage the children to listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding.

Expressive Art and Design

In the continuous provision we will continue to use our workshop areas and junk modelling to create different homes linked to the environments such as igloos and mud huts.

In music the children will continue to sing in a group or on their own increasing the pitch and following the melody to some familiar and some new songs.

Physical Development

Gross Motor -

Through our outdoor learning environment and PE lessons we will further develop and refine a range of ball skills including throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting and aiming.

Fine Motor

We will help the children to use their core strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor. We will also work on holding a pencil correctly to form recognisable letters through weekly Letter Join lessons.

Football lessons for class 2 will be on a **Thursday afternoon** and dance lessons for class 1 will be on a **Thursday morning**.

Maths

- In our Maths learning this half term we will be concentrating on number learning about composition of numbers to 10, number bonds to 5 and then 10 and practical addition.