

## Communication and Language

This half term the children will be focusing on following instructions and being able to re-call instructions that have been given. We will also have regular opportunities to listen and respond to things that our peers and other adults say. We will continue having regular class discussions and high quality interactions on a whole class and smaller group basis. We will use engaging pictures to spark group discussions and continue to enjoy circle time activities, news sharing, stories and singing.

## PSED (Personal, Social and Emotional Development)

This half term we will be learning how to keep ourselves safe. We will learn how to stay safe in different places. We will also be learning about our bodies and the importance of keeping our bodies safe and private. We will discover ways we can look after our body when we are unwell and some of the people who help us when we are unwell. We will consider our online safety work and recognise how we have control over what we do online and how the information we create belongs to us.

## R.E.

The topic for this half term is "Joy and Sorrow". We will be thinking about times we have shown kindness and recognising that sometimes we forget to be kind. We will be exploring times that Jesus forgave and understanding that we can ask Jesus to help us to be kind. We will talk about the importance of being sorry and ways that we can show this as well as saying "sorry". We will also be learning about the events of Jesus' life and recognising how much Jesus loved us. On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March we will be celebrating our Class Worship and would love you to join us for this at 9am.



## Expressive Arts and Design

We will continue to have lots of opportunities each day to be creative. This half term we will explore ways of being creative for a purpose and make cards for various occasions. We will also be using our painting and collage skills to make transport pictures, design our own forms of transport and make 3D boats. In Chranga music our topic is "Our World". We will consider the pulse, rhythm and pitch of different pieces of music. We will practice and perform a range of songs.



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## Phonics (Phase 3 / Level 3)

We will continue to learn the sounds within Level 3 and consolidate our understanding. We will learn more Tricky Words and practice applying these. We will continue to practise our blending and segmenting skills to develop confidence and fluency reading and writing.

## Physical Development

We will continue to build our fine motor skills by practicing "funky finger" activities. This half term we will focus on applying our fine motor skills to support our pencil and scissor control. We will be ensuring we are using the tripod grip when holding a pencil and accurately forming letters. We will also practice using scissors to cut different straight and curved shapes. We will continue to build our gross motor skills. We will develop our fundamental movement skills and recognise how to travel forwards, backwards, up and down in a variety of ways. We will also practice controlling a ball by pushing it, throwing and catching it.



## Literacy

We will continue to share a range of fiction and non-fiction writing and recognise the purpose of different forms of writing. This half-term we will explore the books "The Journey Home from Grandpa's" by Jemima Lumley and "The Journey" by Neil Griffiths and Scott Mann and will also explore the story "Be Brave Little Penguin". We will develop confidence with our own reading and talk about what we have read. We will use our understanding of phonics to help us with our own writing and recognise how writing can support us in creating our own stories. We will describe key aspects of stories we are familiar with. We will recognise story language and time connectives including "First, Next, Then, After that, Finally". This term we will also enjoy celebrating World Book Day!



## Maths

We follow White Rose for Maths. This half term, we will continue to explore the composition of all numbers to 10. We will continue to build our fluency and subitising skills whilst developing our automatic recall of number bonds within 10. We will explore matching, comparing, adding and measuring. We will discover a range of 3D shapes and find different ways of making patterns.



## Understanding The World

We will consider different types of transport and their purpose. We will learn what a journey is and how maps can be useful. We will make our own real and imaginary maps. We will explore the concept of "past" and "present" and explore how transport has changed over time. We will consider how life has changed within living memory. We will ask questions to find out more and consider the appropriate people to ask. We will investigate the concepts of floating and sinking and consider what makes a good boat. We will create our own boats and test them to see which float.

