



Dane Bank Reception Class – Summer 1

Parent Guide

Communication and Language

We will be reading Dear Zoo and we will be retelling the whole story to the Nursery children. We will name objects, characters, and animals from a description that a teacher or friend has given. "It lives in the jungle, is fierce with big teeth and is stripy. What could it be?"

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our topic this half term is based on relationships. We will be discussing how we can be helpful at home and be good friends.
Key vocabulary: lonely, calm, family, job

Physical Development

We will continue to work on correct letter formation of lower case and capital letters. We will develop our running, catching and throwing skills in our mini athletic sessions we are having this half term.

Literacy

We will be using our phonics knowledge to help us read and write simple words, phrases and sentences. We will be learning to use a capital letter at the beginning of a sentence and a full stop at the end.

Maths

We will be looking at the counting patterns and building numbers to 20. We will be working on adding more and subtracting as well as learning the number bonds to ten.

Key vocabulary: pattern, add, subtract, total, equals

Understanding the World.

We will be planting seeds and observing how plants grow. We will be finding out about our local shops and why we need them. We will be visiting the shops to find out more!

Key vocabulary: seed, bulb, shoot, growth, local

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be using a variety of materials to make a zoo. We will be investigating tempo in music and creating observational drawings of plants and flowers in art.

Key vocabulary: tempo, join, design, improve

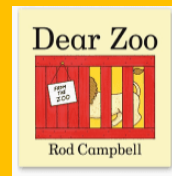
Theme

Our theme this term is growth and animals.

We will be planting seeds, following Albie's adventures in the Caryl Hart series of books, writing our own versions of Dear Zoo and creating a zoo in D&T.

We will be visiting the local shops and having some visitors in school to tell us about their jobs in the community.

Key Texts



Key Information

Books will be changed on Wednesday or Thursday. Please bring book bags to school every day.

Snack Money is £2 per week.

Home-school books are sent home each Friday and are to be handed back in by Wednesday.

Please listen to your child read their books and write a comment in the reading record.