

Bluebell Class - Early Years Spring Term 2020 Learning Overview

Winter Topic		
Topic Overview	Prime Areas	Specific Areas
This term we will be learning all about Winter, in our country and comparing this to the Polar Regions. We will be learning about animals that live in polar regions and how they survive. We will think about how we can stay healthy in the winter. We will also be learning about Chinese New Year and how this is celebrated in different countries.	Communication and Language The children will be encouraged to develop language related to our topic and to be confident to discuss knowledge with others, asking as well as answering questions. We will develop our confidence to talk to children and adults in school. Physical Development This term we will be using tools to sculpt different materials and during forest school. We will be thinking about how to stay safe and healthy in the winter. In PE we will be focusing on movement, creating dances based on winter animals and we will also create dragon and lion dances for Chinese New Year. Personal, Social and Emotional Development We will continue to think about how to be a good friend and member of our school community. The children will take part in group activities and learn how to make a group work effectively. We will discuss our likes and dislikes. The children will also learn about settling minor disputes with their peers.	Literacy The children will continue to have daily phonic sessions as we continue to learn new sounds and how to blend and segment words for reading and writing. We will share lots of wonderful winter fact and fiction books. The children will be encouraged to read words and captions and to be confident to have a go at writing for different purposes. Mathematics We will continue to develop our understanding of numbers to 10 and beyond and will be developing our knowledge of practical addition and subtraction. We will be learning number bonds to 5 and 10. We will be learning all about 3D shapes. Understanding the world The children will explore the changes to our local environment in the winter and will compare our environment to the polar regions. We will think about how animals and people survive in extreme cold. Expressive arts and design This term we will be having a go at sculpting with lots of different materials. The children will have the opportunity to create winter small world lands. We will be taking part in dance, songs and rhymes related to winter
Community	Environment	Challenge
We will be learning about Chinese New Year and taking part in lots of traditional Chinese New Year activities. We will continue to learn about how to be a good friend and member of our school community. We will also be learning about Jesus and his life.	In Forest School we will be using tools to help make tasty snacks and natural sculptures. We will be observing the changes in the seasons and continue to look after our native wildlife. We will be taking part in the RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch.	We will be taking part in some experiments this term and will be thinking about how we can make these a fair test.