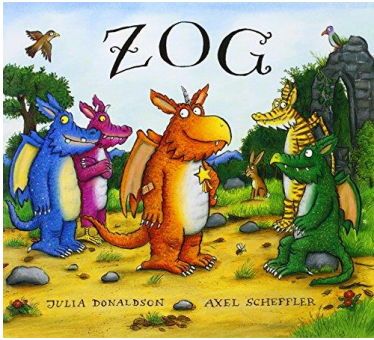


Reception – Autumn 1



In **Reception**, our topic for this term will see us learning about people who help us.

We will be reading the books Zog and Zog and the Flying Doctors written by Julia Donaldson. The children will be using all areas of learning to learn facts about who can help us and how. These will include the number to call in an emergency, the importance of uniforms and what jobs key people do.

With autumn on its way, we will be learning about the season autumn, the changes in seasons and what changes we can see, feel and hear.

In **literacy** this half term, the children will be listening to stories linked to the topic All About Me and People Who Help Us. We will be looking in detail at stories, what are the main points of a story and how we can describe characters. We will retell the stories with our friends and grownups.

We will help children to learn their phonics sounds and letter formation.

In **mathematics** this half-term, we will be looking at numbers! We will be learning to recognise numbers and be able to count the number of objects to match!

We will work to help children develop their understanding of number for their Rainbow Passport. (Information about Rainbow Passport will be with you shortly)

In our Topic-driven afternoons we will be:

(cross-curricular learning opportunities)

Communication and Language / Literacy

The children will begin with the topic All About Me. This gives children the opportunity to tell their new friends all about themselves and learn new things about their class friends. We will be learning how to talk to each other and listen carefully. As we move to People Who Help Us, we will meet key people who will tell us about their jobs and what they do. The children will be able to ask questions and learn about these roles.

Outdoor Learning

We will use the outdoor environment to investigate the changes in seasons. We will look at what is happening to the plants and trees around us and the changes in weather. We will collect autumnal finds such as conkers and leaves and use these in our maths and art work.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

We will be exploring the outdoors and looking at the changes taking place in the environment. We will talk about where we live and who we live with.

Expressive Arts & Design

We will be painting pictures of ourselves and the characters from Zog as well as creating emergency vehicles using craft materials. We will be singing nursery rhymes and number rhymes. We will use the playdough to create dragons of our own.

In Reception, children have the opportunity to learn outside in all weathers, please ensure your child has appropriate clothing to enjoy their outdoor learning.

Important Dates:

In Reception, P.E. is on: **Friday (indoor)**

Please ensure your child has their PE uniform with them in a bag on this day.

PE lessons will start on Friday 1st October.

You can help your child's learning by:

- ✓ Talking to me about the Topics I've been learning in school.
- ✓ Asking me to apply my maths skills in real life situations (e.g. counting teddy bears).
- ✓ Listening to me read every night and asking questions.
- ✓ Supporting me with my homework tasks.
- ✓ Helping me to practise my phonic sounds.
- ✓ Share the work I do at home on Tapestry/class Dojo.