

Literacy

We will be learning to:

- Form letters correctly
- Recognise and identify sounds we have learned in words
- Blend sounds together to make / read words (see forthcoming video on class Facebook page)
- Identify and write some common words
- Ask questions to link what I am learning to what I already know
- Explore sounds, letters and words to help me as I read and write
- Use play to explore interesting materials for writing
- Make our work presentable by trying to write our letters on the line and use finger spaces.

At home:

- Encourage your child to practice writing their common words
- Encourage your child to look for familiar sounds and common words in a text
- Encourage your child to form the letters they are learning correctly eg. with their finger in a tray of sand/rice/lentils/shaving foam or with a pencil on paper
- Create words using the sounds included in homework jotters. Ask your child to blend these together to read the words you have made.
- Ask your child to identify objects in your environment that start with the sounds they have learned

Numeracy and Mathematics

We will be learning to:

- Sequence numbers within a given range
- Identify and use finger patterns to demonstrate our understanding of numbers and doubles
- Copying and counting sequences of movements by chopping or clapping
- Tell the time using o'clock on both analogue and digital devices
- Experiment with units of measure for weight, length and capacity
- Recognise, describe and sort common 2D and 3D shapes

At home:

- Encourage your child to tell the time using different resources e.g. clocks, oven timers, phones, computers or digital watches
- Encourage your child to participate with measuring tasks e.g. cooking / baking
- Play number ping pong with your child by saying alternate numbers backwards and forwards
- Look for numbers in your environment and ask your child to use finger patterns / chopping movements to identify numerals

Health and Wellbeing

This term, we will be thinking about how to 'Respect Yourself.' We will learn that everyone is unique and we will begin to identify the traits that make us special. Edenside's Charlie and Emily will also continue to develop our understanding of resilience. We will focus our attention on keeping a positive mindset when faced with a challenge. In PE with Mr Sutton, we are focussing on fundamental movement skills such as running and dodging. We are also going on some 'adventures' to further develop these skills. This week we have been exploring The Blue Planet and looking for aliens!

Discovery - exploring water and materials

This term, we will be using stories and creative play to explore and investigate different materials. We will think about what a scientist is, what they do and why their work is important. We will learn how water influences our daily lives and the three states in which it can appear. We will investigate a variety of materials and will select appropriate materials for different uses based on their physical properties.