



Literacy

We will be learning to:

- present our work neatly (see second page for a reminder of correct sizes of letters)
- read and write words with the sounds we have learned so far in them
- read and write common words
- write simple sentences using a picture to help us, focusing on 'who' is in the picture and 'what' they are doing
- decode unknown words using our phonics knowledge to help us
- ask questions to deepen our knowledge
- take turns when talking and to contribute at the appropriate times
- tell the difference between a fiction book and a non-fiction book

At home:

- support your child with their weekly homework, practising the sounds and discussing words which start with the sound or have the sound in them
- read often and encourage your child to find words or sounds that they know in the text
- when writing, ensure your child is forming their letters correctly, is writing on the line and is using finger spaces
- look for common words in the environment and in books

Numeracy and Mathematics

We will be learning to:

- count backwards and forwards within a variety of number ranges, including counting in 2s and 10s
- order numbers within a given range
- form our numbers correctly using the Ten Town characters to help us
- 'count on' when adding 2 numbers together eg. $8+4$, hold 8 in your head and count on 4
- share objects to into equal groups
- measure length, weight and capacity using a variety of standard and non-standard units
- tell the time using o'clock and half past
- name, identify and classify a variety of 2D shapes and 3D objects

At home:

- discuss shapes and objects encouraging your child to think about the properties of the shape eg. how many corners does it have? How many faces does it have etc...
- talk about the time and encourage your child to read o'clock and half past on clock faces and on digital devices
- encourage your child to count in 10s and 2s eg. give them a pile of socks to count in 2s!

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.