



Literacy

We will be learning to:

- develop an awareness of when to talk and when to listen during whole class inputs
- listen to and follow instructions
- improve our fine motor skills in preparation for writing
- form taught letters correctly
- recognise and identify sounds in words
- put sounds together to make words
- identify some common words
- recognise the difference between a letter and a word
- answer questions about events and ideas in stories

At home:

- encourage your child to listen for the sounds we are learning when reading
- play 'I Spy' to encourage your child to think about sounds at the beginning of words
- encourage your child to look for familiar words and sounds in shops / on signs
- read to your child and discuss the events and ideas in the story
- 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

Numeracy and Mathematics

We will be learning to:

- form our numbers correctly
- recognise written numbers from 0-10 / 0-20
- count back from 20 and forwards to 30
- order numbers within a given range
- identify the number before / after / in-between given numbers
- use fingers to identify double patterns from 1 to 5
- recognise, describe and sort common 2D shapes and 3D objects
- create a range of pictures with one line of symmetry
- understand and use language of position and direction e.g. left, right, above

At home:

- encourage your child to write numbers correctly using different materials e.g. chalk, paint, shaving foam
- use opportunities to name familiar shapes e.g. squares, rectangles, triangles, circles
- encourage your child to say what number comes before or after a given number

Health and Wellbeing

In P.E. we will be participating in gymnastics lessons, where we will recognise the importance of balance and coordination. Towards the end of the term, we will begin to develop our Scottish Country Dancing skills.

This term, we will be 'Talking Things Over' in our Health and Wellbeing sessions. We will begin to recognise when we may feel worried and identify strategies to help us when we do.

Edenside's Charlie and Emily will continue to develop our understanding of kindness, before moving on to demonstrate how we can 'do our best work.'

Human Impact

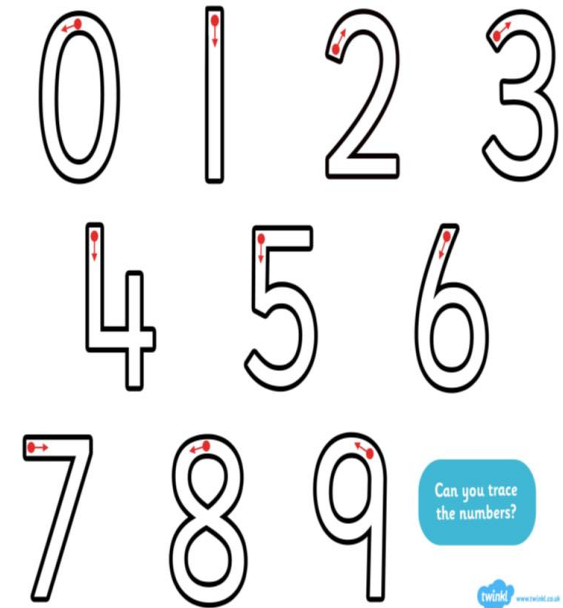
For IDL, we will learn about the beauty of our planet. We will develop an understanding of animals, people and habitats so that we can identify how to protect our world. We will then move on to classify objects into two categories; living and non-living things.

In December, we will focus our learning on Christmas. We will have a particular emphasis on the Nativity story.

How to help at home:



Tripod Grip



Please encourage your child to use scissors! We do a lot of cutting tasks in school, so this would really benefit them. They can get great practice by cutting pictures from a newspaper, toy catalogue or supermarket leaflet!

We are encouraging all children to have a more comfortable grip on their pencil. Please try to encourage this at home. We have a hand-out with some further tips which will be given out at parents night.

This picture shows how the children are being taught to form numbers. Practising these would be very helpful to your child. It can be lots of fun to write the numbers using different materials such as paint, shaving foam etc. Your child can also use natural materials such as stones or leaves to make the numbers.