

## Communication & Language

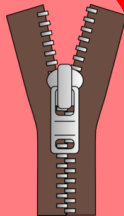
We will be reading lots of stories to link with our theme of 'Around the World'. These include:

- **Kangaroos Cancan Café** - Julia Jarman
- **The Snail and the Whale**- Julia Donaldson
- **We're Going on a Lion Hunt**- David Axtell
- **Ben and Gran & the Whole Wide Wonderful World**- Gillian Shields.

The stories will generate even more opportunities to develop children's vocabulary and we will continue encouraging the children to improve their speaking and listening skills throughout the day.

## Physical Development

We will be practising how to use tools safely and effectively. We will consider the possible dangers of using tools to ensure that the children are aware of how to keep themselves and others safe.



We will continue to experiment with different ways of moving and balancing and will be focussing on using zips and buttons to make sure the children are well prepared for Year 1.

Please continue supporting your child to fasten and unfasten their buttons as they get dressed at home.



## Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Our topic this half term is 'Around the World'. We will be learning about the different continents around the world and will be looking at the different cultures and traditions that take place across the globe. We will be talking about where we come from and the similarities and differences between what we celebrate in our own homes.

We will learn about different animals and their habitats and will talk about how we can care for them and our planet. We will also be focussing on recycling and encouraging children to understand the importance of looking after the world in which we live.

We will continue to prepare the children for their transition to Year One by taking them to visit their new classrooms, talking to them about their feelings and taking part in whole school assemblies and joining KS1's playground for some of their play time.



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## Curriculum Information Summer 2



## Reception

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## Literacy

We will continue to teach RWI phonics four times a week and will be focusing on literacy activities aimed at developing comprehension skills and independent writing.

We will experiment with writing for different purposes including writing information booklets, postcards and creative writing. We will also be focusing on identifying rhymes and continuing rhyming strings.

Children will attempt to spell words correctly and focus on the high frequency words list which was recently sent home. Children will be expected to attempt writing simple sentences.

We will continue with guided reading every Friday to encourage your child's comprehensive skills and will continue to change the children's home / school reading books once a week.

Parents/Carers are invited to our reading session on:

**Thursday 16th June & 14th July**

At The Devonshire Hill Nursery and Primary School, we strive to ensure our children are prepared for the world in which they will grow up to live in.

We teach our children:

Responsibility  
Initiative  
Curiosity  
Optimism

Independence  
Generosity  
Perseverance  
Social Intelligence

## Mathematics

We will be consolidating most of what we have learnt this year, in particular addition and subtraction problems using a number line.

We will be looking at doubling and halving single digit numbers as well as sharing quantities and objects.

We will be encouraging the children to count in 2's, 5's and 10's and will be looking into developing mathematical ideas to solve problems.

We will be revising number bonds to 10 and attempting to learn number bonds to 20, for example:  $7+13 = 20$ ,  $2+18 = 20$ ,  $9+11 = 20$ .

Please support your child to count objects in your house and encourage them to practise their number bonds with you as you walk to and from school.



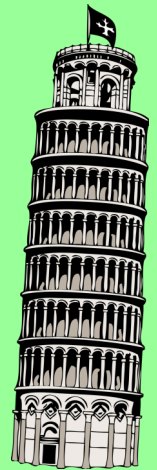
RAINBOW to 10



## Expressive Art & Design

We will be focussing on making costumes, head dresses and instruments for the children's end of term parade. The children will continue to experiment using different materials and media to create a desired effect.

We will look at art and architecture around the world and explore how they are represented in different countries and cultures. We will attempt our own interpretations using different construction and creative materials.



## Understanding The World

We will be looking at the similarities and differences of different countries around the world. Children will be encouraged to explore different customs and routines of different cultures as well as their own. The children will continue to strengthen the positive impressions they have of their own cultures and faiths and those of others in their community, by sharing and celebrating a range of practices and special events.