

February 2024

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

We would like to welcome you back after the half-term break.

#### Our Topic

#### **Term 4: Fantasy and Adventure**

Children will be learning about superheroes, pirates, magic, fairy tales and space. We will be using our imagination to write stories, create our own superhero characters and engage with others in various role play scenarios.

#### Maths and English

In maths lessons, children will be continuing to use numbers to count, order, add and subtract. Children will also learn about doubling and halving, sequencing familiar events and estimating.

In order to support your child, you could talk to them about what will be happening at different times of the day. Play games with your child to estimate how many of a particular object are in your house then count them to check.

In English, we will continue to practise writing sentences. Children will write sentences to retell the middle, beginning and end of some classic fairy tales. They will learn about instructions. They will read and follow instructions and then write their own instructions.

In order to support your child, talk about the beginning, middle and end of their reading book when they have finished it. You could play games that have a set of instructions to look at together.

### PE

Our PE days are Wednesdays (Chicks and Owlets) and Fridays (Eaglets). Please continue to ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit. The children need plain black/navy shorts, a plain white t-shirt and plimsolls. Every item needs to be clearly labelled and in a bag that will remain in school every day. Kits will be taken home to be washed at the end of each term. No items should be taken home during the term.

#### Reading

Please encourage your child to read at home every day and ask them questions about what they are reading at every opportunity. We aim to change books regularly. Books need to be returned to school daily in order for us to change them.

#### Homework

Homework is sent home on a Friday and will continue to support your child's education. This will have either a maths and an English focus and will be linked to what we have been learning about during the week. If there are ever any problems about the homework, please come and see us as soon as possible.

We always like to see any activities the children have completed at home. Please encourage your child to bring this in to share with the rest of the class.

#### Important Dates

19.02.24 – First day of term 4 05.03.24 - 08.03.24 – School Book Fair 07.03.24 – World Book Day 15.03.24 – Comic Relief (more information to follow) 28.03.24 – Last day of term 4 15.04.24 – First day of term 5

Yours sincerely

Miss Roxby Miss Lowe Miss Hollingworth Reception Class Teachers



### HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING THIS TERM:

Key things that parents can do to support their child, this term, related to things they will be learning about are:

- Things to make: A superhero outfit, pirate treasure map, a pirate's eye patch or a set of fairy wings.
- <u>http://www.ictgames.com/mobilePage/archeryDoubles/index.html</u> Explore this game on your tablet or computer. Shoot the arrows to the double numbers on Robin Hood's target.
- Download the free app '1-Minute Maths' to practise number skills such as subitising, number bonds, addition and subtraction.
- Create your own weekly timetable together at home, ordering the days and the activities your child will complete. i.e. wake up, eat breakfast, get dressed, brush teeth, go to school, etc.
- Use your superhero outfit to create your own role play scenarios at home.



## Create your own superhero costume and/or cape





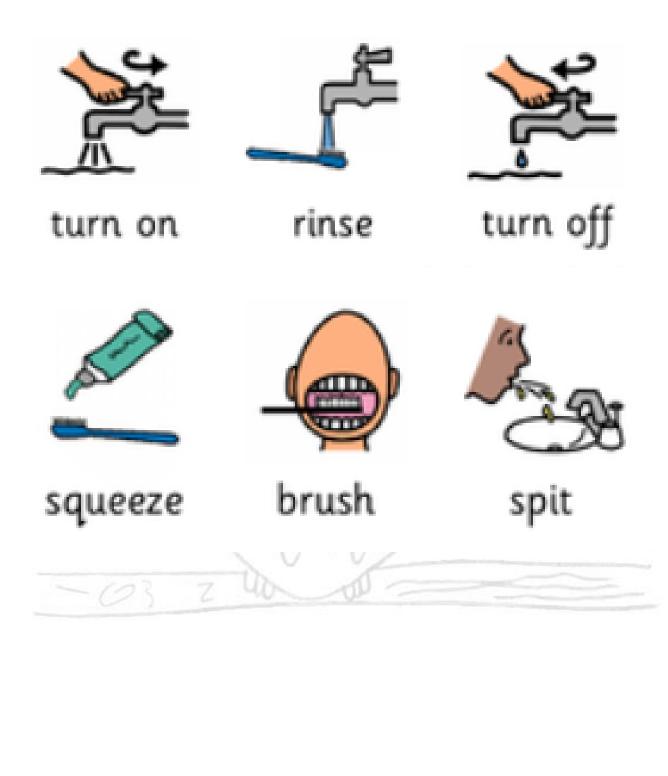
# Can you make your own superhero vegetables inspired by Supertato?







In maths we will be sequencing familiar events. Can you cut out and sequence the images below to show how to brush your teeth? Remember to put the images in the correct order.



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