

Year R Class letter

SUMMER 1



English

The children will continue to write in Drawing Club, a hands-on and creative approach to delivering our English curriculum. During Drawing Club, the children write words, phrases and captions using taught sounds.

We will continue to practise and learn more tricky words to expand our writing skills, following the 'Little Wandle' phonics scheme.

Please continue to read at home with your child at least three times a week and record this on BOOM Reader.

Maths

We will consolidate our understanding of numbers by revisiting key concepts such as 1 more and 1 less as well as number bonds to 5/10. The children will also work on identifying numerals to 20 and developing a deeper understanding of place value.

A key concept we will explore is any teen number being constructed as 10 and more. For example 13 is made up of 10 and 3 more.

We are reading ...

This half-term all our stories are illustrators or written by Oliver Jeffers. Our key text drivers include *The Day the Crayons Quit*, *Lost*, *The Way Back Home*, *The Great Paper Caper*.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will continue to focus on our 'Fernhurst Core Values' of Compassion, Resilience, Perseverance, Honesty and Respect.

We will continue discuss how we can look after the world around us and how to care for all living things.

We will have time to talk about events in our lives.

We will also celebrate events from around the world and discuss how we celebrate in different ways.

We will strive to do our very best at all times.



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Understanding the World

We will have opportunities to become 'young scientists' as we observe the changes around us, including the weather.

During this half-term, our main focus will be on the concept of floating and sinking. The children will start by investigating which materials float and which sink, and then they will design and create their own boats to test.

They will, as always, be given time to share any news and celebrations with us too. Please add any exciting news to Tapestry for your child to share with the class.

Physical Development

Squirrels have been working extremely hard on their handwriting. We will continue to 'perfect' our letter formation and general neatness of our writing.

We will continue practise large scale with chalks and paint as well as developing are fine-motor skills through cutting, drawing and writing opportunities.

Dough Disco will continue – a fun way to strengthen our finger muscles, as well as plenty of large arm movements and core strengthening exercises too.

PE lessons will be on **Mondays** and **Tuesdays**. Our unit this half term is Fundamental Skills.

Expressive Art and Design

We will keep our creativity alive by using all sorts of resources in our junk modelling area. We will have chances to act out stories using props, puppets, actions and music, with instruments too.

The children are also focusing on expression in their reading sessions, allowing them to experiment with different voice tones.

In music, we will be focusing on the sounds made my different modes of transport.

Dates

- Tuesday 14th April - Enrichment - Year R Trip to the Church
- Tuesday 21st April - Parent Consultations
- Thursday 23rd April - Parent Consultations
- Friday 24th April - FOFs Disco
- Thursday 7th May - Class Photos
- Thursday 14th May - RKE work due
- Wednesday 20th May - Open Classroom
- Friday 22nd May - Celebration Assembly

