



# Half Term Overview

## Spring 2 2024

### Communication and Language

We will be learning to:

- Listen attentively to adults and peers.
- Understand why listening is important.
- Use talk to help work out problems and organise activities.
- Listen to and talk about non-fiction texts to help further develop our vocabulary
- Use conjunctions such as then, because
- Ask questions to find out more and check our understanding
- Retell and recreate our own stories.

### Important Information

Friday is our PE day - please send your child to school in their PE kit.

Please ensure your child brings their book bag and water bottle to school every day.

Share a Story sessions - every Thursday 3:10pm. Please come along if you can.

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be learning to:

- Understand what 'healthy' means and different ways to keep ourselves healthy
- Know names for some of our body parts
- Know how to say no to strangers
- Develop our resilience and perseverance when faced with a challenge
- Show confidence when speaking to the class and sharing our achievements with others
- Jigsaw PSHE unit: Healthy Me

### Literacy

We will be learning to:

- Retell a story in the correct sequence
- Give a simple opinion on a book we have read
- Predict how an unknown story might end
- Recall all phase 3 GPCs and read words containing 2 or more digraphs
- Read and spell tricky words taught so far
- Think of our own sentences, say them out loud then have a go at writing them down
- Form more letters correctly and begin to use ascenders and descenders.

## Reception Maple Class 'Get Set, Grow!'



### Physical Development

We will be learning to:

- Hold a pencil effectively
- Add details to drawings showing care and accuracy
- Form letters correctly
- Move with confidence and control, combining movements with ease and fluency
- Respond to words and music using our bodies.

### Maths

We will be learning to:

- Compare numbers and amounts.
- Explore the composition of numbers to 10
- Combine two groups to find the total
- Recognise and write numbers to at least 10
- Use the language of doubles
- Explore odd and even numbers
- Explore 3D shapes.
- Copy and create repeating patterns.
- Explore and compare length and height
- Talk about, order and sequence time

### Understanding The World

We will be learning to:

- Compare past and present through books
- Grow and care for different plants, observing and recording the changes as they grow
- Name different animals and their young
- Begin to create maps and plans
- Notice signs of spring.

### Expressive Arts and Design

We will be learning to:

- Mix paints to create new colours and shades
- Make careful observational drawings using different media
- Explore working with clay and clay tools
- Listen to music and respond through dance
- Sing and perform songs and rhymes