**Welcome to summer term’s learning for Acorn class.**

This tells you what your child will be learning this term in school. We really value your support and the help that you can give your child with their learning. If you would like a detailed overview of curriculum coverage, please see our website [Felix Primary School](https://www.felixprimaryschool.org/)

**Literacy**

Our first book this term, will be Chocolate Cake by Michael Rosen. The children will be thinking about actions words and using these when writing instructions for making a chocolate mug cake. We will then be reading Ruby’s Worry. After half term we will read How To Catch a Star followed by I want a pet dog where we will be practicing our persuasive writing skills.



**Communication and Language**

We will be focusing on holding a reciprocal conversation with or peers. The children will be encouraged to ask and answer questions. We will also be encouraging the children to ask questions if there is something they are unsure of.

**Understanding the world**

Our first topic this term will be changing and growing. The children will be investigating the life cycles of familiar animals including frogs, butterflies and chickens. They will plant seeds and flowers and watch these grow. We will also think about how we change as we grow from babies to adults. After half term our topic will be long, long ago and we will explore castles and the people that lived in them. We will also think about dinosaurs and fossils.







**Personal, social and emotional development**

We will be continuing to focus on our school values of pride, achievement, resilience and kindness. We are also continuing to encourage independence so that the children are ready for the challenges of year 1. Our topic will be changing me. We will be thinking about our different body parts and their functions. We will also be exploring how to keep our bodies healthy. The children will be looking forward to year 1 and talking about their worries and setting themselves goals.

**Maths**

In maths, we will be practising counting beyond 10 and looking for patterns in our counting. We will be continuing to find doubles, odds and evens. We will be using manipulatives to help us add and takeaway in real life situations. We will continue to investigate how numbers are composed and learn bonds for numbers to 10. The children will be using manipulatives to share and group numbers to 10. We will be focusing on using the correct vocabulary and speaking in full sentences when discussing and explaining our learning.

**Expressive arts and design**

We will continue to attend weekly singing sessions alongside singing in class. The children be Safely using and exploring a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function. They will be encouraged to share their creations, explaining the process they have used;

**Physical development**

We will be continuing to develop our fine motor skills and practicing our letter formation. The children will have lots of opportunities to use tweezers to strengthen their pencil grip. In our PE lessons we will be negotiating space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others. We will be demonstrating strength, balance and coordination when playing. The children will be moving energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.

**Phonics**

This term we will be focusing on set 2 sounds. We will be practising finding these in words and blending the sounds together. We will also be introducing the children to more red words.

**HOUSE KEEPING**

* A reminder that we do PE on a Monday and Forest School on Friday. Please remember to remove earrings on PE days.
* Please ensure jumpers and water bottles are labelled.
* As the weather warms up please put sun cream on your child in the morning and ensure they have a water bottle and a hat in school.
* If there are concern or queries please don not hesitate to contact myself through the school office, or arrange to book a time to meet with me. I am also available at the beginning and end of every day.