

# Buttercups curriculum information

## Summer Term 2025

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*Please come and speak to us if you have any questions or queries, however big or small, we will do our best to help.*

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Our enquiry question this term:

## What is it like to be King of the castle?

### **Buttercups Class information:**

- Our P.E days are Fridays. Please make sure your child has a named PE kit in school.
- Please bring your reading book to school every day.
- Please bring a water bottle, hat and sun cream in every day.
- We provide a fruit snack every day but you are more than welcome to provide your own snack (nut free please).
- It is a really good idea to put a spare pair of pants and socks in your child's PE bag – just in case we need to change.
- In the first half term we will be taking part in Forest School. Please check the dates on Seesaw as some are affected by the Bank Holidays.

### **Reading:**

Please encourage your child to read as much as possible. Little and often is the key, even if it's only 1 or 2 pages. Please write a comment in their reading records to show they are reading at home. Please continue to read texts together. Your child will be able to bring home a choosing book each week. This is for you to share with your child at home. You do not have to record this in the reading record.

### **Show and share:**

Show and share is a great opportunity for children to develop their communication and language skills. We will start show and share again after half term.

## ENGLISH

In English we will base our learning around our key texts,

-The Queens Knickers

-The Naughty Bus

-In the Castle

-Kings and Queens of Great Britain

We will use these texts to write about characters thoughts and feelings, writing posters and leaflets. Year 1 children will continue to focus on writing for different purposes and with more independence. We will also begin to write expanded sentences using and, but, so and because. Reception children will begin to write simple sentences using the sounds they have learnt.

We will continue daily phonics sessions and reading books will be matched closely to the sounds they have learnt.

## ART and DT

In Art we will be exploring making birds in 2D and 3D. We will continue to develop our observational drawing and create sculpture.

In DT we will design and make windmills. We will be learning about making stable structures and attaching parts.

## RE

In RE our focus is on Christianity. Our enquiry question is 'How does celebrating Pentecost remind Christians that God is with them always?'

After half term we will look at Judaism, 'Why do Jewish families say so many prayers and blessings?'

## COMPUTING

In Computing we will be learning about digital imagery and link to our English work on The Naughty Bus. After half term we will be developing keyboard and mouse skills by designing rockets using drawing software.

## MATHEMATICS

In Maths, Reception children will be learning numbers up to 20 and adding and taking away up to 20. We will be looking at odd and even numbers, doubling, halving, grouping and sharing. We will also be learning about 2D and 3D shapes and repeating patterns.

Year 1 children will begin learning about height, length, mass and volume. Then we will start learning to count in 2's, 5's and 10's and then move on to fractions of shapes and amounts ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ). We will begin to learn to tell the time to the hour and half hour. This term we will be working with numbers up to 100!

## HISTORY

Our focus this term is History. We will be learning about the role of the monarchy and the lives of Kings and Queens in the past and today. We will also be learning about Castles.

## SCIENCE

In Science we are learning about identifying plants and flowers. We will explore the changes plants and flowers go through during the different seasons and plant some of our own flowers to grow.

## MUSIC

In Music children will use their bodies and instruments to listen and respond to pieces of music with fast and slow speeds. After half term we will use our voices, instruments and bodies to explore how to make different sounds.

## RHE

We will be learning about money and how to keep money safe. We will also learning about banks and spending and saving.

After half term we will prepare for transition into Year 1 and Year 2!!

## PE

In PE this term, we will continue to develop fundamental movement skills and coordination. Through multi skills activities we will be looking at throwing, catching, balancing and moving in different ways. We will also be preparing for Sports Day!