



# Spring Term

## EYFS Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

It is lovely to welcome you all back after the winter break. We extend a warm welcome to our new Nursery starters who have joined us this term; the children have made them most welcome and they are settling in very well. Please see below to find out all about the new learning and opportunities that we have planned for our exciting Spring Term ahead.

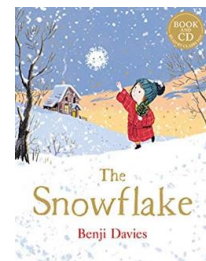
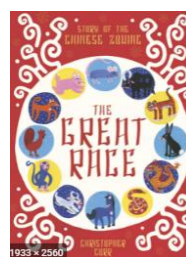
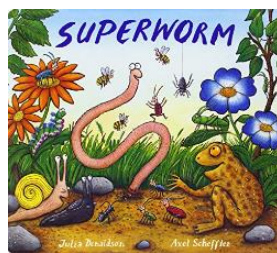
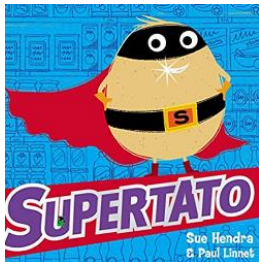
**This term our overarching topic is...**

***What is your super power?***

We will be learning about:

- Local superheroes
- Emergency services
- Winter (our Season focus)
- Chinese New Year (celebration focus)

**These are some of the books we are going to reading linked to our topic:**



In addition we will also be reading lots of non-fiction books to help us learn new information.

**How to help at home...**

- Sharing stories/ Listen to Reception children read 5x per week
- Singing Nursery Rhymes and number songs
- Practising recognising and then writing your child's name, first and then last starting for the correct place and writing on the line
- Completing the topic homework webs (sent out separately to this letter)
- Allowing/encouraging independence of self-care tasks such as coats, zips, toileting, handwashing etc
- Providing fun fine motor opportunities such as playing with playdough/ threading/ painting with small brushes or cotton buds/ building with lego (the smaller the better if they're ready!)
- Opportunities to write/ mark make in practical contexts e.g shopping lists.
- Recognising numbers to 10, then 20.
- (Reception) Adding and subtracting using objects, then on a numberline, then in our heads counting on and back.
- Practising 2D shapes names and finding corners and sides, children now need to know 3D shape names 'cone, cube, sphere, cylinder' and know the difference between 'solid 3D shapes' and 'flat 2D shapes' e.g discriminating between a triangle and a cone.

### Reading Challenge

Please make sure you read with your child at least 5 times a week, write in their reading diary and then upload this to Go Read before 9am each Friday.

Children that have read 5 times will then be in with a chance of winning a book.



### Snack Money...

Please can you send £1 snack money in a name labelled envelope each week. There is also an option to pay termly. If paying termly the amount will change due to the different number of weeks in each term.



Please ensure your child brings a coat and school bag each day. Also can you please make sure that **everything** is labelled with your child's name.



### Our Twitter pages

We have class Twitter pages that are updated at least twice a week that will keep families up to date with what is happening in school.

[The Gates Primary \(@TheGatesPrimary\) / Twitter](#)

[The Gates Primary - Nursery Class Page \(@GatesNursery\) / Twitter](#)

[The Gates Primary - Reception Penguins Class Page \(@GatesPenguins\) / Twitter](#)

### Seesaw

Thank you to all our parents who have been using Seesaw to share learning from home. The children are really enjoying being able to share their home learning and also



We look forward to continuing working with you and your child and seeing their new achievements this year.

Many thanks,

EYFS Team