

# Foundation Stage weekly planning

Theme of the week: **Pirates** Week beginning: **23.01.17**

The following is a summary of the focused activities we will be carrying out this week *in addition* to child initiated learning.

## 'Communication and Language'

- ☺ Read and discuss the stories *The Night Pirates*, *My Granny is a Pirate*, *The Pirate Cruncher*, *Captain Flinn* and *the Pirate Dinosaurs*.
- ☺ Encourage the children to predict what will happen and discuss the characters, feelings etc.
- ☺ Share VIP books and "Wow" sheets.
- ☺ Use:  
<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/BuriedTreasure2.html>

## 'Literacy'

- ☺ Children to write a message and put it in a bottle.
- ☺ Phonics RECAP- Letters and Sounds learnt so far from Phase 2 and 3.
- ☺ Reinforce the tricky words (Spot word) learnt so far.
- ☺ Use the following phonics game:  
<http://roythezebra.com/reading-games/new-window/words-that-rhyme-with-at.html>
- ☺ Practise the alphabet song.
- ☺ Introduce igh and oa.
- ☺ Change library books - Friday pm.

## Physical Development

- ☺ Outdoor physical activity daily.
- ☺ PE Tuesday morning with Mr Barlow
- ☺ PE Thursday afternoon PE practising ball skills.

*Dress up as a pirate on Friday!*

Please just wear a basic costume; we will have made eye patches and other pirate paraphernalia. Just a pair of jeans and a striped/ white Face paint welcome!

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- ☺ Enjoy a range of activities with our friends.
- ☺ Work as part of a group, taking turns and sharing fairly.
- ☺ Share treasure bags and "Wow" sheets.

## Mathematics

- ☺ Talk to the children about taking away and adding and how we are going to 'count on' and 'count back' to find the answers. Explain that we have a treasure island with treasure on. Some pirates steal some of the gold coins. Can the children work out the answer by counting back using the objects to help. Start with the amount of coins and physically separate the number you are taking away. "So 5 take away 2 is 5,4...3"
- ☺ Explore pirate number games. See link in the next box!
- ☺ Complete a treasure hunt around the school. Use positional language.

## Understanding the World

- ☺ Use the classroom computers to develop simple mouse control.
- ☺ [http://www.earlylearninghq.org.uk/pirate\\_game/Main.html](http://www.earlylearninghq.org.uk/pirate_game/Main.html)
- ☺ Use the Beebots to make a way around treasure island.

## Expressive Arts and Design

- ☺ Enjoy role play area - Pirate island.
- ☺ Make and label pirate ships
- ☺ Design and make Pirate telescopes, making pirate hats and eye patches.
- ☺ Making treasure maps.

## PROUD CLOUD and FINE DINER

Our Fine Diner is Gianluca for having such a healthy appetite in finishing all his lunch!

We are giving Ettie the Proud Cloud award for perseverance with her writing which has led her to write some really lovely sentences this week.

Many congratulations to both of you.