



## Ramsgate Arts Primary School - Year R Curriculum - Term 2



**Morning Routines** All Year R children will be welcomed from 8.15am each day at the classroom doors. They will unpack their bags, hang up their coat, put their book in the basket and put their water bottle in class. Please encourage them to do this independently and say goodbye to them at the cloakroom. If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to the teacher at the door. Each morning, there will be a range of fine motor, maths and literacy activities on the tables that the children can choose from. During this time they will change their reading books and register with the class teacher.

**Read, Write, Inc.** In Term 2 we will be grouping the children for RWI and introducing them to a number of new sounds. We will be encouraging the children to try and hear the initial sounds in words and then moving onto orally blending three sound words. This quickly progresses onto building and writing CVC words and captions. We will begin to learn some 'red words' such as I and, the, and cover lots of new 'green words' linked to our sounds. Please complete your child's sounds book with them weekly (new sounds will be added every Friday) and also encourage them to think of as many words that begin with that sound. Please ask us for another sounds sheet for the handwriting patterns if you no longer have it.

**Reading** It is our expectation at Ramsgate Arts primary School that children read for at least 10 minutes every night. Please continue to read one of our book corner books to your child and change this daily (by putting this in the basket). When your child is ready and orally blending we will send home phonics reading books. Please continue to practise oral blending daily (c-a-t) as well as re-capping the sounds taught. When allocated a reading record, please sign when you read with your child. Please also ensure that your child has their reading record at school every day so that they are able to read with a teacher or TA.

**Maths** We teach Maths daily and all sessions begin with counting, a mental and oral starter and follow by a main session of learning. This term we will be focussing on the following areas: representing numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, describing position, 2D shapes and properties, finding one more and one less, subitising to 5, counting to 20, counting backwards and using time language. Most areas of Maths depend on a solid understanding of number. Please practice counting everything, pointing out numbers in the environment and practise writing numbers using the formation to 10 with your child.

**RAPS Curriculum** This term, we will be beginning a topic entitled 'Our Heroes'. We will be learning who are heroes are at home, who helps us at school and heroes in the community. We will learn about each of the different jobs and who we need to go to for help. We will also have visits from some local heroes and take our first school trip to Dinky Town. We will also be focussing on fictional superheroes, Supertato and we have an amazing superhero dress up day. Finally, we will be delving into the magical world of Christmas and focussing on the school's values.

**PE** In year R we do a 'wake and shake' and yoga daily and PE every Monday afternoon. We will be working on ball skills this term with Mr Robinson. Please ensure that every Monday your child wears the school P.E. kit to school. There is no need to send in their school uniform.

**Uniform** Our school uniform exists both for health and safety reasons and to develop a sense of pride and responsibility in being a member of the RAPS community. The uniform policy includes the expectation that all children will wear black school shoes (trainers are not acceptable footwear), that long hair should be tied back at all times and that with the exception of a watch and a pair of small stud earrings NO jewellery may be worn by children. We also ask you to remember that children should not be wearing make-up or nail varnish to school and hair styles should not be extreme – this includes unnatural hair colours. The school's uniform policy is listed online. Please ensure your child is dressed according to this policy and that all items of clothing are clearly named.

**Home Learning and Blogs.** Our 'Love to Learn' tasks will be sent home each term. In term 2 we will be designing and making our very own superhero costumes. Please think of a name for the superhero, superpowers and how you can help the community.

Please take photographs, draw pictures, label, write some information about the superpowers and super name. As well as making the actual costume for dress up day. Please make sure this is your child's work but also guided and supported by an adult.

### Arts

Through our Arts curriculum the children will focus on Music, Dance and P.E. These subjects will be taught on a Monday afternoon. This term we will be focussing on rehearsals for the Christmas production. The arts are also embedded into everyday life at RAPS.

**General** Sipping water throughout the day aids concentration and learning. Please provide your child with a water bottle which they may keep with them throughout the day. It is vital that pupils arrive at school on time and that absence is kept to a minimum. Frequent lateness and absences can have a huge negative impact on a child's learning so please try to have your child in school by 8.30 am every day. Please also bring in wellies and a coat for outside learning.