

# Chestnut Class

## Curriculum Overview

### Autumn 2022



#### Reminders:

- Indoor PE is on a Wednesday morning, please ensure you have the correct kit and earrings have been removed (or can be removed by your child).
- Please label all items of clothing and water bottles.
- Friday is 'Show and Tell' and is always linked to our theme, for this term we will use the children's chatter boxes.

#### Literacy

The children will begin to learn phonics through the Read, Write, Inc. phonics scheme. Supporting materials will be sent home to reinforce what has been taught at school, these do not need to be returned to school.

Reading books (some without words!) will be sent out once the children have learnt some of the phonetic alphabet.

#### This Terms Theme:

##### Me, myself and I

Some of our topics will include: 'homes', 'things I enjoy' and 'senses'. As you can imagine there is a busy and fun few weeks of learning ahead of us!

##### Ongar School Values

This year our values are **Self – Belief, Passion, Teamwork, Honesty, Determination and Respect**. The children will learn about these through stories, discussions and reflection time.

#### Maths Development:

In maths the children will be sorting and ordering items into size, counting and subitising.

We will be using the White Rose scheme of work throughout the year.

#### Understanding the World:

We are going to look at photographs of ourselves from the past and see if we can notice any changes.

Mrs Mount will soon start cooking with the children; to cover the cost a contribution of £2 per term would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.



### **Technology:**

The children will start using simple programs on the class computer.

We will be playing simple phonic and number games on the iPads.

### **PSED:**

We will celebrate the positive attributes of learners during 'Star Learner of the Week' (on Fridays).

During circle time we shall be talking about Ongar School Rules and Values.

In PE we will be practising the art of dressing and undressing as well as playing team games, taking turns and sharing.

**Look out for the Learning Letter every Friday in your inbox. This will give you an insight into what we have been doing in class during the week.**

**Headlines, our weekly newsletter will also update you on what has happened in school and what is coming up.**

**Don't hesitate to speak to us if you have a question.**

### **Expressive Arts and Design:**

The children will use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.

We will be creating models using recycled materials and clay and as Christmas approaches we will make props for our Nativity performance! We will have a special harvest assembly for families to watch soon (dates to follow)

We shall be learning lots of songs and rhymes with Mrs Meyer during our music lessons.

### **Physical Development:**

Each week the children will take part in PE sessions, yoga, meditation and 'Jumpstart Jonny'.

Fine motor control is developed within threading, painting, modelling, play dough manipulation etc.

We will be having learning conversations about the importance of good health and a healthy diet, tooth hygiene and we will talk about ways to keep safe.

Swimming will also be starting in a couple of weeks – look out for the letter.