

Hunmanby Primary School

Bumblebees newsletter – Spring term 2024



Welcome back everyone! We hope you all had a great Christmas with family and friends.

Our Early Years Curriculum We are following the 2021 Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage and are 'child led' in our learning. The children's interests are at the heart of our curriculum and we draw learning opportunities out of their play in order to provide a foundation for the children's learning, we also introduce new topics/ themes on a half termly basis.

This half term our topic will be 'Long ago' and then a mini topic of 'Stories and rhymes'.

For the topic 'Long ago' we will be thinking about what we were like and how we have changed since we were babies. We are also going to base our play around dinosaurs, castles, Kings and Queens. We will read stories such as Harry and his bucket full of dinosaurs, use different materials to build castles and look at pictures of Kings and Queens from the past. For our stories and rhymes topic we will be focussing on traditional tales.

After February half term our topic will be 'Animal safari' and a mini topic which is 'Signs of spring'.

We will also be looking at the different seasons, the weather that occurs in Winter and spring, as well as the different festivities that take place during these months.

Throughout the day, we explore the different learning areas in Bumblebees which includes

- Mathematics area
- Book corner
- Small world
- Construction
- Home corner
- Creative area

Bumblebees daily routine.

Bumblebees start time is 8.50am – 11.50am.

Once arrived and settled we have a short circle time which includes singing our hello song, talking about the days of the week, month of the year, seasons and weather.

We then enjoy 'free-flow' time within the classroom and in the outdoor area. Children follow their interests and staff respond by extending their skills through these interests.

We provide a midmorning snack which includes toast, fruit and yoghurt. We give the children a choice between milk or water to drink. The children all have their own, named water bottle which they can access independently throughout the morning

All classes will also have daily singing and story time sessions.

Our staff

Mrs Milnes, Miss Jenkinson and Miss Warkup are the Bumblebees staff and will be at school every morning.

Tapestry Online Learning Journals We use Tapestry to record observations of children's learning and assess progress and plan Next steps in Learning. Please can new parents/ carers fill in a form as soon as possible- ask a member of staff for more details. Don't forget you can comment on observations and even add your own. If you haven't already, could you please update the 'All about Me' section on Tapestry to help us get to know the children in each class.

Outdoor play Learning outdoors is an essential part of the curriculum. Children must bring a coat to school every day as we play and learn outside in all weathers! Children may also bring in their own named wellies in a bag for when it is raining.

Please can you ensure that all children come with spare clothes as we are often outdoors exploring the environment during all weathers and can sometimes get a little bit wet and muddy.

PE – As part of our physical development we will have weekly PE lessons which will take place on a Friday. Please can all children come to school wearing appropriate clothing and shoes.

Website - Don't forget you can read about and see photos of what we have been doing on our class web pages at www.hunmanbyprimary.co.uk We also have our own Twitter page @HunmanbyEYFS Please follow us so you can see what we've been doing.

Feel free to ask your child's teacher/ key worker if you have any queries or concerns.

Thank you

Mrs Milnes, Miss Jenkinson, Miss Warkup

Bumblebees staff