

Welcome to Brigstock Primary School! This half term is all about making new friends and learning new rules and routines. Already your children have been busy exploring our fantastic environment and playing lots of getting to know you games.

Mrs Freeman teaches on a Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Walpole teaches through till Friday. Miss Allen, our wonderful TA is in Monday through to Friday.

Forest school is every Tuesday afternoon with the possibility of more in the week. Reading books and library books will be handed out week beginning the 14th Sep after the Phonics workshop (15th Sep).

Phonics – For the first couple of weeks in our phonic sessions we will mainly be playing lots of listening games. Speaking and listening games are a fun way of helping children to listen more carefully when someone else is talking. They are great for getting children to speak more confidently as well! As we move further into September we will start to introduce a new letter every day. Look out for our phonics workshop which is helpful to learn how we teach phonics and how to help at home!

English – We will be reading 'Where the Wild Things Are' where we will orally re-tell the story, learn about the characters and make predictions. We will also learn what captions and lists are and how we set them out.



Maths – This half term we will be practising our counting using 1:1 correspondence. Whilst you are out and about any opportunity you have to count with your child would be great – cars, jumps, sticks, puddles etc...

We will also look closely at numbers to 5 and focus on developing a good understanding to build throughout the year.

The children will be learning 2D shapes, patterns and using mathematical language like fewer than and more than. We will also learn to use language such as longer and shorter.

Key Vocabulary: Autumn, friends, me, family, class, school, teachers.

Communication and Language – We will be encouraging the children to take turns when speaking, using their manners and learning each other's name.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development – This term we will mainly be focusing on emotions, turn taking and learning our own boundaries. The children will take part in an on-line safety lesson. The children will learn about making new friendships and how to build on those friendships.

Physical Development – In PE, on Wednesdays, we will focus on getting dressed, finding safe spaces and moving our bodies.



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Understanding the World – We will be looking closely at the weather and how the season begins to change. We are also focusing on ourselves and how we have changed over time. We will also compare family units and share photos of our family. We will look at Brigstock village itself and learn some key points. Our focus in RE is 'Where do we belong?'

Expressive Arts and Design – This half term we will sing lots of nursery rhymes/song, experiment with musical instruments and roleplay in the home corner. The children will be drawing some self-portraits that will be completed every half term to show their progress.