

### **Communication and Language**

This half term, we will celebrate World Book Day by immersing ourselves in much-loved traditional tales such as Goldilocks and The Three Billy Goats Gruff. Children will use puppets and masks to retell stories, developing confidence and storytelling skills. They will also create their own wooden spoon characters from familiar stories, encouraging imaginative play, listening, and expressive language.

### **Literacy**

This half term, our new 'Make a Book' unit is **My Special People**. We will share a range of stories about families and special relationships, helping children talk about people who are important to them. Children will then create their own book about someone special. Reception children will use their phonic knowledge to write captions and simple sentences.

### **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

This half term, our focus is friendship. Through sharing a range of stories, children will explore what makes a good friend and how to be kind and caring towards others. They will practise solving simple conflict scenarios, learn strategies for taking turns and sharing, and develop confidence in making new friends and building positive relationships.



## Starfish Class Curriculum Overview: **Spring 2**

Mrs Wells, Mrs Molloy Beck  
and Mrs Gomulak

### **SPELLING and READING**

Please make sure your child has their reading record and reading book in school every day. These will be changed on a **Friday**.

### **Physical Development**

Physical development is supported daily through a balance of gross and fine motor activities. Children will build strength and coordination through climbing, running, jumping, and exploring new outdoor parkour equipment. Fine motor skills will be developed through threading, cutting, drawing, and finger rhymes such as *Tommy Thumb*. Each day includes a focused motor session with fun activities like dough disco and scarf dancing. A dedicated PE session takes place every **Tuesday** afternoon, so please ensure your child wears their PE kit.

### **Mathematics**

Nursery children will build their understanding of numbers 1, 2, and 3, including subitising and beginning to compare and sort objects. Reception children will extend their number knowledge by learning about numbers 9 and 10. They will also explore and identify 3D shapes, developing early mathematical language through practical, hands-on activities.

### **Understanding of the World**

This half term, children will learn about different celebrations around the world. We will explore Muslim Ramadan and Christian Easter, discussing their significance and traditions. Children will also experience the Hindu festival of Holi by throwing paint, enjoying sensory, hands-on activities that help them understand diverse cultures, beliefs, and ways people celebrate important events.

### **Expressive Arts and Design**

This half term, children will explore the work of artist David Hockney, focusing on the special stained glass window he designed. We will visit the local church to see it in person, then use our creativity to make our own artwork. Children will have the exciting opportunity to enter their creations into a competition.