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Coming up next week...18/03/2024

Studies show that turning on subtitles when children watch TV can dramatically improve their literacy. Doubling their chances of becoming proficient readers. The best part... subtitles are completely free and proven to improve vocabulary, boost comprehension skills and increase reading fluency. By just turning on the subtitles it's equivalent to reading the same number of words that are in all of the *Harry Potter* books, all of the *Earthsea Books*, all of *His Dark Materials*, all of the *Narnia* saga and all of *The Lord of the Rings* — in a year! What's more, a single kids' movie can have up to 20,000 words — that's about the same as the average chapter book for 5- to 10-year-olds. Comedian and actor Jack Black is helping 'Turn on the Subtitles' with this short message - turnonthesubtitles.org

Learning in school:

Theme for the Half-Term: Let's tell a story...

This half-term the children will be exploring what makes a story. We will be exploring the structure of well-loved stories and the characters in them. We will also be using story maps to help plan and write our own stories.

Theme for the Week: There's a dragon in your book

This week, we will be embarking on a story writing journey inspired by "There's a Dragon in Your Book." Each child will choose an animal for their story, crafting a unique 'oh no' problem and devising a clever solution. We will be planning the stories next week so that we can write them the following week.

On Thursday 21st March, it is World Poetry Day and we will be having some fun looking at a rhyming poem.

Phonics:

This week we will be continuing to practise reading longer words and we will also be looking at words that have the grapheme 's' that make the sound z within words e.g. visit, poison.

Maths:

Our exploration of number bonds of ten continues, focusing on trios of numbers that sum up to 10. This hands-on activity will strengthen the children's understanding of addition and number relationships.

Additional notes and reminders

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Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.