








Long, Long Ago – Arctic Safari/Chinese New Year/Traditional Tales. Topic information for Reception, Spring Term, 2024.

<p style="text-align: center;">Communication & Language</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role-play Arctic safari, Chinese restaurant, Victorian kitchen • Traditional Tale focus • Listening to wide variety of Traditional Tales & Nursery rhymes • Develop 'Terrific Talking' routines – eye contact, body language, rich language, volume, enthusiasm • Re-telling Traditional tales using story sacks & puppets • Sequencing & ordering pictures to support story telling • Show & Tell -  special project focus on Arctic animals 	<p style="text-align: center;">Personal, Social & Emotional development (PSED)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remembering our Lion's Den rules inside & out • Taking care of others and their possessions • Focus on collaboration & turn taking using a variety of games linked to our Traditional Tales. • Exploring diversity - Shrine boxes • Developing independence • Going for goals – resolutions - kindness & Academic focus • WOW! Time – sharing achievements from home • Nurturing Family Links focus/RSE – reinforcing Time out. Exploring Praise & criticism 	<p style="text-align: center;">Physical Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring a variety of old toys • Building our own obstacle courses and plan a journey for penguins and polar bears  • Developing fine motor skills with threading / cutting / malleable and construction materials – making jewellery /scissors • Treasure hunts in a range of malleable materials • Bikes, trikes & go-karts • Safety when using tools for cooking, building & gardening
<p style="text-align: center;">Maths</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counting towards our 100 Day Party • Problem solving activities linked to Traditional Tales focus - subbetising • Time – days, months, times of the day - CNY • Ordinal numbers - The Great Race • Using positional language in journeys and mapping for characters • Early doubling and halving games (sharing chairs/porridge etc) • Length investigations, using beds & chairs etc • Capacity of porridge bowls • Money – exploring coins and quantities, buying magic beans, cows etc • Weight - ice bombs/frozen creatures 	<p style="text-align: center;">Literacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to reinforce the speed sounds from set 1 of the RWI program and red Words will be introduced • Consolidation of the early reading skills with the use of Ditty books, progressing to coloured books. • Information books – Chinese Life & New Year/ Arctic animals • Wide range of Traditional Tales – explore the language involved, characters and settings • CLPE focus - The kindness Jar  • Acting out familiar stories • Speech bubbles, labels & captions • Talking books! • Informal handwriting sessions 	<p style="text-align: center;">Understanding the World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cold continents • Seasons – Winter & Spring • Testing & investigating ice & snow (hopefully) • Investigating bubble magic • Curious machines • Story character visitors • Digging for treasure, using magnets & magnifiers • Growing plants, exploring seeds, planting & digging • Excavating in the ice • Chinese New Year & The Lantern Festival • Easter / Ramadan / Holi
<p style="text-align: center;">Expressive Art and Design</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ice pictures and sculpture • Painting/drawing focus – Spring plants • Designing slippers • Paper & maps  • Scrap masks • Designing & making  toys, houses & bridges • Instruments and rhythm to create story effects • Opportunities for role play - cultural focus 	<p style="text-align: center;">Discrete subjects/Specialists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonics – Read Write Inc will be taught on daily basis & link with topic wherever possible. Homework will be weekly, with daily reading too • Music – Songs and rhymes linked to Traditional Tales • ICT – Individualised program linked to topic • Sport/swimming/PE /Dance & Drama/Forest School will work through an individualised program  	<p style="text-align: center;">Regular slots</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show & Tell will take place on Mondays. Amazing Arctic animals, presentations T1. T2 Please share a favourite traditional tale. Send along the book and rehearse with your child so that they can retell to the class with confidence • WOW! On Wednesdays we will share our celebrations and achievements from home. Please remember to send these in 

Please remember that these are starting points and provide just a simple outline of some of the activities we will cover across the term. We endeavour to allow the children to lead the learning wherever possible and seek to creatively enhance learning opportunities, whilst working towards the Early Learning Goals.