

CHOLLERTON FIRST SCHOOL

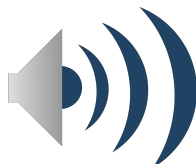
Reception Topic Letter



2nd Half Spring Term 2023

Dear Parents,

Our topic this half term is **sound**.



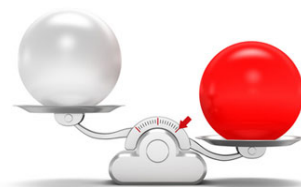
In **Prime Area: Communication & Language** and **Specific Area: Literacy** we will study "Town Mouse and Country Mouse" and "Lullabyhullabaloo".

Comparisons will be made between town and country. Please discuss visits you have made to towns, a city and the country: How were they different? What did you enjoy and dislike in both places? Which buildings did you visit and why?

Please continue with regular reading sessions. This is so valuable to your child.

In **Maths** our topic is weight.

We will be thinking about heavy, light, heavier than, lighter than, balancing.



Reception are continuing to look at teen numbers - 1 set of ten and 6 units is 16, one set of 10 and 8 units is 18 etc. → 20

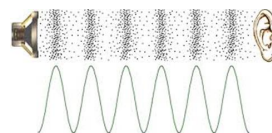
We are building numbers in addition: finding ways to make 10 and recording what we do.

We will also begin to consider patterns in subtraction.

We are going to think about even and odd numbers and count in steps of 2.

Specific Area: Understanding the World

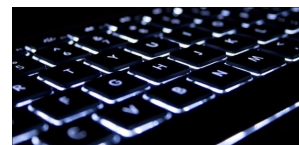
In **My World**, we are thinking about sounds, different types of sound, how sound is made by vibration and how sound travels in waves. Talk about loud, soft sounds, you like and dislike.





We are thinking about how messages are sent and how this has changed over the last 200 years.

In **Technology**, we will continue to improve our word processing skills, particularly using our left and right hands, using shift and punctuation keys.



In **People & Communities**, we are thinking about Mother's Day & Easter. Easter is a time of new beginnings and sharing. We will extend our understanding of the cross being a Christian symbol.

Specific Area: Expressive Arts & Design

In **Exploring Media & Materials**, we are studying the artist Kandinsky, how he used abstract shapes and colours.



In **Being Imaginative**, we are completing our chairs and then we will begin work on story boxes. Creating an imaginary world based on the children's interests.

We will listen to "*Peter and the Wolf*". We will learn about instruments in the orchestra.

Peter & the Wolf



Specific Area: Physical Development

Swimming will take place every Monday afternoon. Your children will need a swimming costume, towel and goggles. Long hair will need to be tied back and all clothes need to be labelled.

We greatly appreciate your help and all the comments in the reading record books and home school books.

If you have any queries, please get in touch.

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