

## What will we be learning?

### Phonics

We will begin learning the Basics 3 sounds and Tricky Words. This includes learning the remaining letters of the alphabet, plus some digraphs and trigraphs. More information will be sent out about this each week.

### Literacy

We will be reading the story Juniper Jupiter and then will learn to retell a similar story in four parts. We will write simple sentences to retell the story, using our phonics knowledge plus key vocabulary from the text.

### Maths

We will continue working on subitising, counting sets and composition of number up to 5. We will also be comparing amounts to see if they are equal or unequal. At the end of the unit we will be thinking about weight.

### Topic

We will be having weekly music sessions with Lesley from the Norfolk Music Hub.

We will think about real life superheroes. In PE we will be learning some gymnastics skills.

*The children will need shorts in their PE bags instead of jogging bottoms or leggings for safety reasons on the apparatus.*

## Reception Overview

### Spring 1

### Juniper Jupiter

A story about superheroes and friendship.



## How to help at home

Hear your child read as often as possible (A minimum of 4 reads per week please).

Practise writing the letters of the alphabet, using the correct formation. Write simple words and sentences e.g. write a shopping list.

Encourage your child to dress themselves, put on their own coats and zip them up.

## Key skills for your child

To be able to say the sounds for all the letters of the alphabet and the digraphs / trigraphs that we are learning.

To read the Tricky Words from Basics 2 and Basics 3.

To be able to write simple words and sentences.

To retell a story using new vocabulary.

To use the language heavy / light / heavier / lighter / heaviest / lightest.

## Key Vocabulary for Parents

### Phonics:

Digraph – 2 letters that make one sound.

Trigraph – 3 letters that make one sound.

### Maths:

Subitising – knowing how many there are in a group without counting them.