

The Foundation Stage Curriculum is delivered through Prime Areas: **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**; **Physical Development** and **Communication and Language**.

These core skills are developed through Specific Areas of Learning: **Literacy**; **Mathematics**; **Understanding of the World** and **Expressive Arts and Design**.

Reading and Phonics

Nursery books will continue to be changed on a **Tuesday**.

All children who bring a book bag to Nursery will continue to bring a story or information book home of their choosing. Some children will also now be bringing home a second book. This book is designed to encourage them to tell a story – they only have pictures in and it is up to your children to ‘create’ a story around the characters and events. Please feel free to record these stories in your child’s ‘Reading Diary’.

Daily Diet

Children need to hear at least 5 stories a day to help develop language skills, at school we aim to read 2/3 books per session. So at home you need to aim to share a further 2/3 books each day. Follow this link to find out more about the benefits of reading at home;

<http://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

Nursery

It's a Bug's Life

In this topic we will be looking at all things creepy crawly! Through this topic we will be developing vocabulary, learning about the life cycles of different ‘Minibeasts’ and using some key texts such as ‘The Very Hungry Caterpillar’ and ‘The Bad Tempered Ladybird’ to develop our story telling skills.



Home Learning

Please take this time to enjoy being with your children; *talk with them, walk with them and play with them!*

To link with our topic you may want to go on a ‘Minibeast Hunt’; please let us know what you find and where you find them!

If you have difficulties printing photos you can always email them to the school – homelearning@catshillfirst.worcs.sch.uk

Clothing and Water bottles

Please ensure all clothing is clearly named – the half term break is a great opportunity to check that names are still in jumpers and cardigans.

Children need to bring in a healthy drink, such as water, every day to help our brains stay ready to learn. Please name water bottles.

Outdoor Curriculum

In Nursery we use our outdoor learning area every day, whatever the weather, please ensure your child comes ready to go outside!

As the weather heats up a sun hat will be needed, may we also ask that sun cream/block is applied before your child comes to their Nursery session.

Share, Learn and Play

These sessions will start back on Wednesday 9th May 2017;
AM – 8.40 – 8.55

(please note change of time for AM session)
PM – 3.05-3.20

We will continue with ‘turn taking games’ for Summer 1.