



All about me!



We love seeing your child show off their learning at home.

Please keep sharing via Tapestry.

If you are unable to access Tapestry, please let us know via admin@archibald.newcastle.sch.uk and we will be happy to help.



Websites:

Phonics Play— <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> (Free games only)

Cbeebies—Numberblocks—<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tv/cbeebies>

Top Marks—<https://www.topmarks.co.uk>

ICT Games -<https://www.ictgames.com/>

Try the Teach your Monster to read app too (They often makes this free in the App Store)

Books:

Nursery Rhymes—Nursery

Rosie's Walk—Reception

The Family Book—No Outsiders

Places to Visit:

Grey's Monument

George Stephenson Museum

Challenges for Home:

I can zip up my coat. I can use a knife and fork. I can write my name.

Please tweet us using the hashtags below if you see your child showing any of our Archibald qualities.

We will continue to teach the children how to be **#Creative and #Caring**

Through our creative curriculum, we will be **#HavingFun** whilst **#LearningTogether**.

We will continue to inspire and develop **#Courageousness and #Curiosity**

Having fun, learning together.

Curious, caring, creative and courageous.

Key Dates and Reminders:

Reception New Starter Coffee morning - 5th, 6th, 7th September 10:00-11:00 am

Nursery New Starter Coffee morning— 11th, 13th—9:00-10:00 am

Reception Reading Meeting—27th September 5:00-6:00 pm

Reception Harvest Singing - 2:45– 3:15 pm

Literacy

Reading

- Reading is so important to us at Archibald. Some of the stories we will look at will be familiar ones and some will be new.
- We will be introducing our Core Books which are books that we will continue to use throughout their year at school.
- We will look at front covers, non fiction books and share our favourite books.

Writing

- We want to develop a love of writing. We will do this with lots of fun and messy activities.
- In Nursery the children will be exploring the letters in their names and knowing the difference between a letter and a number.
- In Reception we will begin to strengthen our finger muscles using Dough Disco and Squiggle while you wiggle as well as learning how to hold our pencil properly
- We will be giving meaning to the marks we make.

Phonics

- Nursery children will be starting their Phase 1 phonic activities concentrating on listening to sounds, identifying sounds and playing with sounds.
- Reception will start their more formal phonic sessions daily concentrating on initial letter sounds, segmenting and blending as well learning key words.

Maths

- In Nursery we will be singing number rhymes and talking about numbers. We will also look at what our own number is.
- In Reception we will be concentrating on being confident with numbers to 5.
- We will be reciting numbers in order in songs and rhymes.
- We will be counting everything we can using one to one correspondence.
- We will be sharing old and new number rhymes.
- Comparing amounts and using words such as more and less.
- Matching and sorting objects using mathematical reasoning.
- Exploring patterns.

PSED, Communication and Language

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

- This half term our topic is called All about me!
- We will be learning to talk about ourselves in a positive way.
- We will look at growing up and how we have changed from being a baby.
- We will be learning a little about keeping healthy, linking with teeth healthy.
- We will also be learning about the season Autumn and Harvest Festival.
- We focusing on the children settling into school, making relationships with the peers and helping to keep our Unit tidy.
- We will be introducing Spanish to our Early Years children concentrating on how we say Hello—Hola and Goodbye—Adios
- E-Safety will play a big part of our introduction to computing in Early Years we will explore a range of stories explaining to us how we can be safe when we use iPads and computers.
- We will use the iPads and class computers to access a range of Early Years software.
- In addition the children in Reception will be introduced to team points that are used within the whole school and we will learn a little about the famous people our teams are named after.

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PE—Having fun, keeping healthy and learning new skills...

- In Reception we looking at different way of travelling around the space safely.
- In Nursery we will be exploring Triangle Zone and all the different ways we can get around such as on bikes, scooters and trikes.

Music—listening, appreciating, interpreting, playing, developing...

- Kapow—Exploring Sounds
- We will be listening to songs
- Learning about pulse or beat.

Key Vocabulary

- Parts of the Body (arm, leg, feet, mouth, head, hands and back)
- Healthy/not healthy –teeth, toothbrush, clean, dentist.
- Autumn words (leaves, conkers, crisp, red, orange brown, crunchy, harvest, falling leaves, berries and changing colours)
- Harvest - celebration, crops, combine harvester, festival.

How can I help?

To help fund our play dough, small world play etc, we kindly ask for a contribution of £1 per child per half term. This can be paid via Parent Pay half termly or for the year at a cost of £6.

Thank you so much!

We love to junk model! Please send in any cardboard boxes, tubes, pots etc

NO egg boxes, NO nut product boxes, NO medication boxes.

Please send in a family photo so that your child can see their special people in their classroom.

(This can be a hard copy or send via Tapestry and we can print)

Important information

Please ensure there are no nut products (including snack bars) in packed lunches.

Birthdays will be celebrated in the setting as a class. No sweets or toys to be brought in please. Thank you!

Thank you for your support.

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