This is what your child will be learning in school. As always, we welcome your support and encourage you to talk and explore some of these with your child at home.

Reception – Term 1

HALFPENN LANE JUNIOR, INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL

English

In English, we will be reading 'My Family, Your Family', 'It's a No Money Day' and 'Bodies are cool'.

Each week, your child will receive a QR code for the book that we are reading so that you can read along with us!

During this half-term, we will focus on using a comfortable pencil grip and master writing our names.

In our daily phonics lessons, we will begin to learn singular sounds.

Can you practice writing your name at home?

Expressive Arts and Design

As artists, we will be looking at work by Roy Lichtenstein. We will be creating a selfportrait.

With your child, can you find a piece of artwork in the style of Roy Lichtenstein?

As inventors, we will be developing our cutting and folding skills to create a family book.

As musicians, we will be learning and singing nursery rhymes! What is your favourite nursery rhyme?

Maths

In maths, we will focus on recognising numerals and counting to 10. We will also learn to count objects and match them to their numeral.

Ask your child to write numbers 1-5 in order. If they're feeling confident, practice numbers 1-10.

Please encourage your child to access Top Marks to consolidate their learning!

www.topmarks.com

Communication and Language

This term, we will be talking about our families and who we live with. Please could you bring in a picture of your family to share with the class.

Who is a part of your family? Who is special to you?

Physical development

PE lessons will begin after October Half Term. Further communication will be sent via Class Dojo. Children will continue to develop their fine

Children will continue to develop their fine motor skills through daily writing sessions.

Understanding of the World

As scientists, we will be exploring the human lifecycle and how we have changed over time. As geographers, we will be investigating local maps.

With an adult, discuss how you have changed over time.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development This term we will focus on the importance of personal hygiene. Why is it important to brush our teeth twice a day?

I wonder who we

are...?

Homework

Your child will return home with a learning letter every Friday. This outlines their learning for the week ahead. It also includes a small learning task that we encourage the children to complete at home.

Reading- all children are expected to read/be read to 4 times a week and ensure it is recorded in their reading journal. Once the children have read 4 times a week, they will be entered into the reading raffle, where they can win a book to take home!

Learning task- Please upload any images to Class Dojo of your child completing their home learning task. The children will be awarded a dojo point for the tasks that they complete.