**Vocabulary**

Maths: weight, long, short, big, small, huge, tiny, bigger, biggest, smaller, smallest

Literacy/Topic: egg, hatch, mini-beast, crawl, hop, fly, jump

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**Phonics**

Phonics is a method of teaching used to support reading and writing. We follow the Letters and Sounds scheme and we will continue our learning of phase 2 sounds, as well as segmenting and blending.

Encourage your child to use Phonics Play - [https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/](https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/)

Username: holytrinitycep
Password: seashell

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**Homework**

Your child will be bringing home a reading book which will be changed weekly, for you to read with your child.

Reading story books with your child is a fantastic way for children to learn all about the structure of stories and begin describe characters.

We ask that you encourage your child to practise writing their name at home as well as recognising and counting numbers and items.
Literacy

This term we will be continuing ‘Helicopter Stories’ which has helped children with both their communication and language as well as their story-telling skills. They will begin to tell and act out their own stories.

Children are learning to recognise sounds and letter names as part of their phonics learning.

Overall aims:
- To begin to describe a character.
- To act out a story.
- To use a picture to tell a basic story.

Mathematics

Children are continuing to learn about different numbers and are being encouraged to say what is one more than a number.

We will begin to learn and explore measuring and ordering by size.

We will be using a variety of instruments to measure the objects and compare their size.

Overall aims:
- To be able to order by size.
- To use correct language when exploring size.
- To count and order to five.

Topic

This term our topic is Natural World.

This term we will be learning all about the world around us.

We will be exploring nature and life cycles of mini-beasts whilst also learning about animals that no longer exist, dinosaurs.

Overall aims for Personal, Social and Emotional development:
- To work as part of a group taking turns and tolerating delay.

Overall aims for Expressive Arts and Design:
- To move and make sounds of various living creatures.
- To create using different materials

Overall aims for Understanding The World:
- To recognise and describe special times and events for family or friends.

Overall aims for Physical Development:
- To make observations of changes in animals.

Overall aims for Communication and Language:
- To use prepositions to describe where animals are

We will also be learning and exploring the Easter Story as well as visiting a local church.

At the end term we will be celebrating our learning with an Easter Egg hunt joined by our family and friends (further details to follow).