



Sheringham Woodfields School
Curriculum Information for Families 2026-2027
Term: Autumn 1 Class: Beech

Strand and Profile	Profiles in Class	Ideas for Home
Communication and Literacy	This term we will be developing our communication and literacy skills, using the Talk for Writing approach to explore <i>The Dragon Snatcher</i> by M.P. Robertson. Pupils will have opportunities to build their vocabulary, sequence ideas and develop confidence in communicating their thoughts with others.	Share stories, books, magazines or photographs together and encourage your child to talk about what they can see or what has happened. Ask questions such as "What happened first?", "What happened next?" and "What do you think might happen?" Encourage your child to use new words and tell familiar stories in their own way.
Mathematics and Problem Solving	We will be developing our understanding of number and place value before using these skills to explore addition and subtraction. Pupils will take part in practical activities using objects, pictures and number resources to develop their confidence in counting, comparing and solving simple problems.	Look for opportunities to use numbers in everyday life. Count items when shopping or when putting things away. Practise adding and taking away using familiar objects such as fruit or coins. Ask questions such as "How many do we have altogether?" or "If we take one away, how many are left?"
Personal Development	We will be learning to recognise and talk about different emotions. Pupils will explore how emotions can make us feel and begin to identify ways of expressing and managing their feelings appropriately. We will also begin to explore digital technology are used and how we can make safe choices when using them.	Talk about feelings as they arise during everyday activities and help your child to name how they are feeling. You could look at characters in books or television programmes and discuss how they might be feeling and why. Talk about the apps your child uses and remind them to ask an adult for help if they see something they are unsure about.
Physical Development	Our PE specialist, Jason, will be focusing on hockey skills to begin this academic year. Pupils will develop their coordination and control through activities involving moving, stopping and changing direction. They will also focus on working with others through games and activities.	Encourage opportunities to be active together, such as walking, running, throwing and catching. You could practise controlling and moving a ball around safe obstacles in the garden or park. Encourage your child to take turns, follow rules and celebrate working as part of a team.
Understanding the World	Using Panjango Careers, pupils will begin to explore the world of work and develop their understanding of different jobs and workplaces. This will include learning about different work places as well as opportunities for work experience, helping pupils to recognise their own skills and learn about different roles. Pupils will also develop their communication skills through TITAN and take part in regular visits to shops, social events and galleries, helping them practise skills within the wider community.	Talk about the different jobs people do at home and in the community. When you are out together, notice people at work and discuss what their job involves. Encourage your child to practise everyday independence skills such as choosing an item in a shop, asking for help, paying for something or speaking to familiar members of the community.
Expression and Creativity	Pupils will have opportunities to explore and develop their creativity through Art. They will experiment with different materials, techniques and ways of expressing their own ideas, while developing confidence in making choices and creating individual pieces of work.	Provide opportunities to draw, paint, colour or make things using materials available at home. You could collect recycled materials for model making or look together at artwork, photographs and objects that interest your child. Encourage them to talk about what they have made and the choices they have made.
Personalised Learning	Throughout the term, pupils will work towards their individual learning targets. Activities and support will be personalised to help each pupil develop their communication, independence, confidence and wider learning skills.	Opportunities for your child to make choices, communicate their needs, complete small tasks independently and celebrate their achievements can all help reinforce learning from school.
Life Skills (Nikki Wardell) Home Management	These sessions will take place at The Life Skills Hub (previously The Annexe, attached to Sheringham High School). It will include organising self to transition to & from the Hub safely. There will be the opportunity to undertake some Home Management Skills. This term the focus will be preparing drinks & snacks safely in the Teaching Kitchen. In the Flat area, students will start participating carrying out a variety of household tasks, such as making a bed. There will be some use of household equipment such as Hoover & washing machine. There will also be the opportunity for some Hobby Development which will be pupil led.	Use road safety skills when out & about. When in the home, encourage drinks & snacks to be made as safely and independently as possible. Encourage cleaning & tidying up afterwards. Have fun together with some simple household chores, such as loading the washing machine, dusting & hoovering. What hobbies are enjoyed at home? Can others join in as well? What equipment is needed? Please let us know as we would like to continue, support & experience