

# Robins: Spring 1

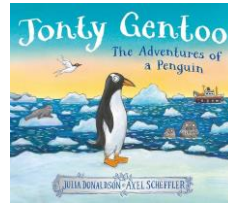
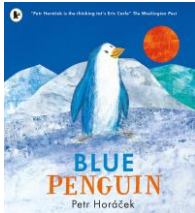
5<sup>th</sup> January – 13<sup>th</sup> February

## Penguins and Sea Creatures



### Maths

Robins Class will continue to develop their counting and subitising skills and explore the composition of numbers to and beyond 5. They will begin to learn when two sets are equal or unequal and connect two equal groups to doubles. They will also begin to connect quantities to numerals. Our maths lessons will continue to be engaging and practical, giving the children lots of opportunities to gain a thorough understanding of number and challenge themselves to their ability.



### Drawing Club

In Drawing Club we have lovely story books planned as well as some traditional tales and animations. Our first books will encourage curiosity and learning about penguins, different places in the world and travelling.

We will link our Drawing Club stories to 'Understanding the World', learning about different species of penguins and where in the world penguins live. We'll also spend some time creating artwork linked to our different Drawing Club stories. We have been very impressed with the children's creativity and the progress they have made so far this year. As well as continuing to enjoy the drawing aspect, children will continue to write words and short sentences in their Drawing Club sessions, and will be encouraged to challenge themselves to use the new sounds we are learning.



**Come and visit Robins Class!**  
We'd like to welcome parents into Robins Class at 2:50 on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February** so that the children can spend some time with you in their classroom and share some recent work.



### Weekly Reminders

#### PE Lessons

- Tuesday – outside PE
- Thursday – inside PE

#### Outdoor Learning Afternoon

- Monday afternoon

#### Library

- Robins library day is a **Thursday**.

#### Reading Books

- Little Wandle reading books will be sent home on a **Friday** after the third group read of the week.
- Children will also choose a reading for pleasure phonics book on **Fridays**.

**Please write in your child's reading diary when you have read with your child at home.**

#### Homework

- Writing practise sheets linked to our Little Wandle phonics will be sent home – on a **Friday**. We will check for completed sheets throughout the week, however, there is no particular day that these need to be completed by.

## Phonics



This term, Robins Class will be learning the following new sounds  
**ai ee igh oa oo (zoom) oo (book) ar or  
ur ow oi ear air er**

Robins Class will also be focusing on words with double letters (e.g. dd mm tt) and longer words.

Robins Class will continue to recap the tricky words learnt last half term (there were lots) and will learn the following new tricky words

**was you they my by all are sure pure**

We will also continue our Little Wandle reading group sessions.



## Physical Development

This term, we'll be working on ball and beanbag skills in both our inside and outside PE lessons. The children will practise and develop skills which include rolling, throwing, catching, bouncing and kicking a ball.

## Personal, Social and Emotional



In our PSHE Heart Smart lessons this term, Robins Class will focus on the following themes

- All families are special and important.
- Ways that people show how they are feeling.
- Appropriate ways to show care and affection for others.
- Showing love to others when they need help.
- Be thankful to the people who help us at school.

## Understanding the World

This term, we'll continue our learning about the seasons of the year, focusing in particular on the changes in the seasons and the season of winter.

Linking with our chosen texts, we'll be investigating ice and water. We'll also use photos, our world map and a globe to investigate the different places in the world where you might find penguins and other sea creatures.



## Expressive arts and design

This term, Robins Class will focus on creating artwork linking to the characters in our focus books. We'll look closely at illustrations and think about shapes and colours. We'll also watch a couple of illustrators creating illustrations of their characters and then we will use a range of media to have a go at our own.

Music will be based on The Rainbow Fish. We will focus on quiet and loud sounds, starting and stopping, silence and signals. Robins will try creating sounds with a range of different instruments and will learn some new songs too.