

## We will be learning:

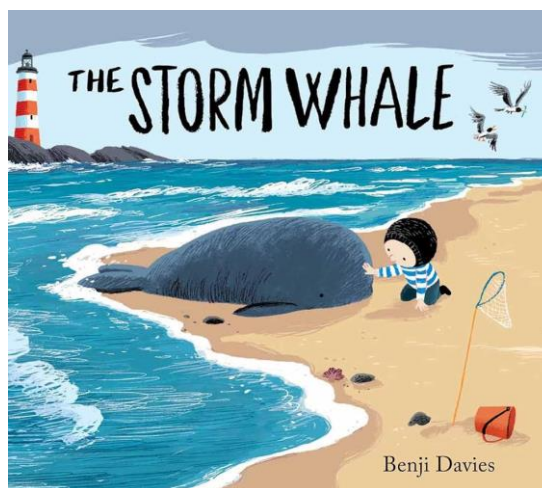
- To notice weather changes in Winter.
- To use different instruments to produce a range of sounds.
- How to write our name, write initial sounds and labels.
- How to mould materials to create models.
- About hot and cold weathers.
- About islands and different homes.
- About whales and their body parts.
- To segment and blend sounds and use these skills when reading and writing simple words
- To recognise numerals and count ten and beyond.
- To compare objects by height and weight.
- To balance in different ways using different parts of the body in PE.
- About a range of celebrations such as Chinese New Year and St Valentines Day

## Reception Overview – Spring 1

### Our core story is:

### The Storm Whale by Benji Davies

Please do not read this at home with your child until the end of the half term so your child can enjoy hearing the story unfold in class.



### At home you could:

- Visit the library and borrow a book about penguins.
- Practise counting to 20.
- Read daily at home with your child and talk about what you have read

## Key skills for your child:

- To be able to concentrate and listen carefully for short periods of time.
- To express ideas and opinions in small groups and /or class discussions.
- To recognise numbers 6-10 and count object accurately.
- To blend and read CVC words such as sat, pin, cog, mud, dip.
- To be able to write letter shapes using mnemonics.

## Key Vocabulary we will be learning:

Names of different parts of the world – continent, ocean, country

Seasonal vocabulary – Winter, Spring, weather, names of different types of weather.

Language to help us to describe locations in the core story.

Parts of a whale – fin, dorsal, fluke, blowhole

Chinese New Year: the Chinese festival that celebrates the beginning of a new year on the traditional Chinese calendar.

Please talk to your child's class teacher if you have any questions.