

YEAR GROUP: Pre-School

DATE: January / February 2024

TIME ALLOCATION: Spring 1

TEACHERS: Miss Dutton

Literacy

This half-term, we will be reading lots of stories to support us with our understanding of people who help us. We will start by sharing 'The Smartest Giant In Town' to develop an understanding on what he does to help others and what we can do to help our friends.

We will also be looking at stories including 'A Princess Called Diana' and finding out how she helped others.

Maths

In maths, we will be continuing to look at numbers 1 to 3 and we will also start looking at number 4.

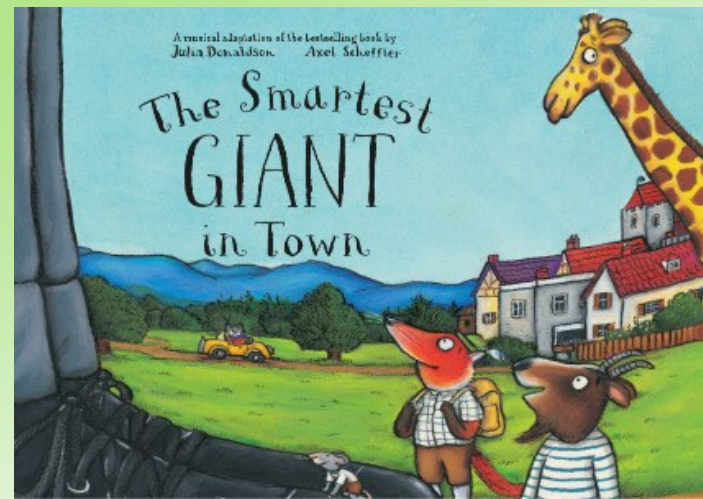
We will be looking at shapes: ones that have 3 sides and ones that have 4 sides. We will be working on identifying these shapes and going on shape hunts to try and find them around the classroom.

Understanding the World

Over this half term we will be discussing different people who help us. We will get the opportunity to meet the people in different roles who help us in our daily lives. We will also be exploring weather and looking for signs of winter.

We will also be making potions in our mud kitchen, experimenting with mixing different materials.

Me and My World of Heroes



WHY?

We will be learning about different people's roles and how they help us each day. This will allow us to be able to understand the importance of different roles in the society and how everyone is unique. It will also provide us with plenty of opportunities to ask questions, build relationships and respect others.

WOW:

We will be meeting different people who help us.

OUTCOME:

The children will understand the roles of different people we meet who help us in our daily lives.

Communication and Language

This half term, we will be developing our listening skills. We will be listening carefully to our stories, answering questions about what has happened. We will have the opportunity to think of our own questions to ask different people who help us.

In phonics, we will continue to develop our listening skills and we will be listening for rhyming words.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term, we will be welcoming our new friends to Pre-School. We will be looking at how we can be a good friend. We will also use this opportunity to discuss feelings and see how our actions effect other peoples' feelings.

Physical Development

This term, Pre-School will be looking at how Chinese New Year is celebrated and we will be creating our own dragon dance.

We will have lots of opportunities to practise our gross and fine motor skills including scarf dance and dough disco.

We will also be using our funky fingers to move letters to make our names.

Expressive Arts and Design

In EAD, we will be exploring what happens when we mix different colours. We will be looking at what happens when we add white to a colour.

We will also be building the Smartest Giant a new house using different construction pieces.

Finally, we will be learning a poem to help with washing our hands.

SMSC

We will be particularly focusing on manners and thinking about other people's needs over the course of this topic.

BRITISH VALUES

We will be finding out about respect for others as well as incorporating ideas about why we have rules, deciding things together and why it's OK to have different ideas.

TOPIC HOMEWORK

Read your favourite story!
Can you think about who helps you?

ASSESSMENT

In the Early Years, we assess children continuously by observing what they do, talking to them about their thinking and looking at the work that they produce.