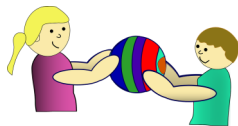


PE

I will confirm our PE day/s as soon as possible and on these days the children can come into school in their PE kit. Please see the school website for information about our PE kit. In our PE sessions we focus on different areas of the curriculum, specific to our children's needs. This half term we will be doing 'Sensory Circuits' where the children will do lots of obstacle courses, organising and calming activities. The children will be engaging in outdoor learning daily, so they need to wear sensible flat school shoes every day. **They can wear trainers on their PE day.**



Literacy

In Literacy we will be looking at a range of books to explore 'Me and my family' including 'The Smeds and the Smoos' and 'Peace at last'.

We will do lots of speaking and listening activities about ourselves and our family. We will have a go at writing words, sentences or even paragraphs about ourselves.

We are a 'Rights Respecting' school. We will write our class charter together where we think about our rights and how we can all work as a team to make school a happy and positive place to be.

We are continuing to develop our reading and writing skills in our Phonics lessons.

Art



In Art we are going to use our topic of 'Me and my family' to inspire our creations, completing self portraits. We will also explore the Autumn leaves and their colours.



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Me and my Family



Welcome back

We are so happy to welcome you all back to school and we hope that you had a fantastic Summer break!

We have an exciting half term planned and are looking forward to settling into our new classroom. Throughout the day, the children will spend time in all areas of our provision and with all staff members, to enable us to meet their individual learning needs.

During the morning and after lunch time, the children will have the opportunity to engage in a short sensory circuit or movement activity, to help them prepare themselves for their learning. This is going to be part of our daily routine.

We will soon be inviting you in to our unit for a 'Stay and Play' session so you can have a look around and enjoy some time with your child in their new setting. Look out for the details!

We are always available at the beginning and the end of the day if you have any concerns or need to speak to Mrs Harrison or another member of the team. Mrs Harrison's working days are Monday - Thursday. The rest of the team are Mrs Clark, Miss Wilkie and Mrs Doherty.

Maths

In Maths this half term we are going to focus on developing our understanding of 'Addition and Subtraction', as well as 'Multiplication' for those who are ready. We use a very personalised approach to teaching Maths; we look at the gaps in the children's knowledge and understanding and target learning activities to help the children achieve these gaps, before they then progress onto the next steps. This is proving very successful in helping the children to reach their full potential.

Key Skills, Social and Emotional Development

We will continue to work on our key skills in the afternoons through the following activities:

- Fine motor activities such as threading, using tweezers, scissors, play dough and putty to strengthen our hand muscles —Disco dough!
- Music
- Board games to develop social interaction , turn taking etc
- S&L Interventions
- Computing
- Gardening—planting Spring bulbs



Reading Books and Homework

All children should now be bringing a reading book home with them. Please try to read with your child for a few minutes every day or share a story with them. **Please return your child's book every Tuesday so it can be changed.**

Please also complete the homework sheets that we send home. The children receive a sticker and house points when it is returned. **Please also remember to access the 'Reading eggs' app at home.**