



Starry Night

This curriculum map provides an overview of what your child will be learning across the curriculum this half term. Learning will be linked to our focus topic: Starry Night



Communication and Language underpins everything that we do in Reception.

This half term our 'Show and tell' focus will be about a journey we have been on. We will listen and talk about non-fictions to develop familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary.

Key skills- We will be holding back and forth conversations using well-formed sentences. We will ask questions and use new vocabulary.

Physical Development is really important in Reception. We are focusing on improving fine motor and gross motor skills. We will be developing accuracy when drawing during art and craft activities. We will be moving energetically (jumping, hopping, climbing) when playing outside and on the woodland. In our P.E. sessions we will be completing a dance unit.

Key skills- We will be learning how to express ourselves through drawing and dance.

Personal, Social and Emotional skills are fundamental within any community or social setting. We will continue to follow the 'Paths' programme to learn about different feelings.

We will begin learning about healthy eating and the importance of oral hygiene.

Key skill- We will be learning to give and receive compliments and to be able to talk about what we are good at. To show resilience and perseverance in the face of a challenge.

Literacy

This half term we will continue learning single letter sounds before moving onto two letter sounds (digraphs). We will be reading books containing taught sounds. We will re-read these books to build up our confidence in word reading, fluency, understanding and enjoyment. We will write simple sentences using finger spaces and some capital letters.

Key skill- We will be reading/writing short sentences using words made-up of known sounds. We will retell stories using our own words and recently introduced vocabulary.

Maths

We will be learning to recognise numbers up to 8 including how to write the numbers.

We will be making pairs, adding two groups of numbers together to find totals and learning how to record these in a number sentence. We will be measuring mass and capacity. We will be exploring the capacity of various containers and using our measuring skills to make jelly.

Key skill- We will be able to apply our numeracy skills in a variety of real life problem-solving.

Understanding of the world

We will be developing our scientific knowledge through play activities, such as; shadow puppets, making dark dens, bird feeders and ice balloons. We will be experimenting with changes of state involving liquids and solids. We will learn about events in the past including the moon landing,

We will be looking at how Chinese New Year is celebrated and add enhancements to our home corner to role play scenarios.

Key skill- Understanding, respecting and valuing difference. Fostering a lifelong love of curiosity and discovery.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will be making a vehicle using a choice of materials. They will be planning and making some props for our train station role play. They will be using various small world toys to imagine and create their own stories. The children have access to a wide variety of creative activities in a rich environment. The children will be using simple percussion instruments in various ways. The children will be using a range of techniques and resources to create items to celebrate Chinese New year.

Key Skill- developing a wide range of creative techniques using simple tools.