

The topic we will be covering this term is: Our Toy Story

Literacy

We will be learning how to write captions for areas of the classroom and label items in our toy shop. We will be exploring stories with familiar settings and using role-play to re-enact scenes from the books we read. Our texts will relate to our topic of toys and to make stories more exciting we will be using our imagination to write new story endings.

Maths

This term we will be comparing, counting and ordering numbers as well as beginning to understand and record addition calculations. We will think about our favourite toys and collect and record our own information on Venn diagrams and bar charts. We will also look at measuring size and weights of toys and ordering them as a result.

Science

We will be learning about materials and their properties. This will support our topic as we will explore the properties that toys are made from and why. We will investigate which materials are best suited to a purpose and compare and group materials by their properties.

ICT:

We will begin with learning fundamental skills for creating and retrieving data. This will enable us to use digital cameras around school and on trips to complete scavenger hunts. We will practice our labelling skills all around the school and in our role play area.

R.E.

Children will be learning about Christianity and attitudes towards God. We will understand why the bible is special and highlight books that are special to our children.

Art

In Art this term we will be developing our drawing skills to help us design a model toy to build. This will allow us to use a range of resources to develop and create toys from our designs. We will also explore 3D models in building our own toys through junk modelling and adding different textiles to make our toys realistic. We will build on skills acquired in reception.

History

In history we will explore toys in the past and compare them with our favourite toys in the present day. We will order dates using a timeline and use research skills to find out how games were played. Using our own history we will retell a story using a toy from our early childhood e.g. a teddy, doll that we took on holiday. We will also explore the development in technology from the past and how this has affected us.

P.E.

The children will be using different parts of their body when travelling around the hall, over equipment and also when balancing, We will encourage the children to think about how exercise benefits their health and changes their body when they are active. We will also try new sports and discuss how new skills can be transferred to other sports.

Music

This term we will be listening to different styles of music and understand how they can evoke different reactions. We will create our own music using long and short sounds and clap rhythms to support learning in other areas of the curriculum e.g. learning number bonds to 10.

P.S.H.E.

This term we will be setting our rules, expectations, routines and goals for the new year. We will be focusing on new beginnings to ensure all children have a positive start to year 1.

Thank you for supporting your child's independence by encouraging them to come into school with their friends.

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Gentle Reminders:

- Please ensure your child's clothes are fully labelled with their name.
- The weather could be very changeable at the moment; your child needs to bring a coat each day for break times and outdoor learning.
- Children will be able to buy a tuck shop bar during morning break every day - 20p only please. Water bottles are available at £1.50.
- Your child needs to have a PE kit in school every Monday morning and left in school on your child's peg. Our PE days are Thursday and Friday however there will be other opportunities to take part in sport related activities during the week. We will send it home frequently to be washed.
- We will be using lots of creative materials to enhance our learning. Please contribute as many boxes, kitchen rolls and yoghurt pots as you can! **(No toilet rolls due to health and safety rules!)**
- We have several trips and visits planned this term so please let your class teacher know if you are available to help on a regular basis. All help is appreciated!

Homework

- Reading folders and homework will be given out on a Friday. These should be returned on a Monday. Please use the reading journal as a way of communicating with us about your child's reading.

Don't Forget ...

We are always here to talk about anything you may be concerned about. Please don't hesitate to come speak with us.

Year 1



Team Members

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