



## Rocket Class Curriculum letter Spring 2020



Happy New Year to you all and welcome back after our Christmas break, we hope you all had a lovely time!

Our topic for this term is "How do we help Cinderella to have a ball?"

**The following is a run-down of how we will be exploring this topic within the six areas of learning.**

### **Understanding English, Communication and Language**

Communication group: focusing upon taking turns and interacting with others, listening to others, cooperating and interacting with peers, making requests and describing objects.

Listening and responding to a variety of stories with a focus on Traditional Tales.

Individual literacy I.E.P targets.

Introduce and explore new vocabulary linked to our topic.

Fine Motor Skills sessions including Dough Disco.

Stage 2 of Phonics Song of Sounds.

### **Mathematical Understanding**

Individual maths I.E.P targets.

Days of the week, months of the year, measuring and weighing ingredients. Sorting and identifying shapes. Representing information using graphs. Number recognition and counting.

### **Scientific and Technological understanding**

Cooking sessions where the children will make a variety of food linked to our topics with a focus on buffet/banquet food linked to Cinderella. Investigating what happens to food when we add water, heat or cool it.

Weekly science sessions linked to our topic 'My Body'; children will develop skills of exploration, investigation and understanding about their body and senses and how these work.

Children will be learning about their body parts and senses.

### **Understanding the Arts**

Creating a range of sculptures and castles using a variety of materials and looking at the work of Artist Andy Goldsworthy. The children will be exploring a range of techniques to create sculptures. They will create 3d models of castles. Throughout the second half of the Spring term, children will engage in a variety of seasonal art and crafts linked to Spring and Easter.

## Understanding Physical Development, Health and Well-being

Dance - Music and Movement sessions - listening to a range of music and learning to move our body in a variety of ways in time to the music.

SAQ sessions: children will all have a daily session of SAQ to develop fundamental movement skills.

**P.E day is Thursday:** Please can your child have their indoor P.E kit at school.

## R.E

This term we will be focusing on 'What do Muslims Celebrate' and learning about the Islam faith. After half term we will be learning about Easter and how what this means to Christians.

**Snacks** are available twice a day, children may have toast in a morning at a cost of 10p per slice (see letter from PTA re: this). If, however you would prefer to send your child with snacks from home then please send these in daily. All children will need to bring in their own bottle should you wish them to have juice but water is available freely throughout the day in the classroom.



We shall be cooking on a regular basis this term and your child will need to bring into school an empty named plastic container to transport their cooking home with them. We also ask for a voluntary contribution of £5.00 per child towards the cost of ingredients. We tend to inform you via the diaries if/when we need additional contributions but this usually lasts for at least half a term and sometimes longer depending on what we are making!

Weekly tutor sessions will continue to be held on a Monday afternoon. Your children will still have the opportunity to play alongside their tutors (year 4).

We all look forward to this term and thank you for your continued support.

The Rocket Team

Rachel, Pauline, Karla, Kelly, Anja, Vicky & Tracey

