



Rocket Class Curriculum letter Autumn 2018



Welcome back after our summer break, we hope you all had a fun summer!

Our topic for this term is "Our Amazing Body" Although for the first week we shall be learning about Pets (following the whole school theme)

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

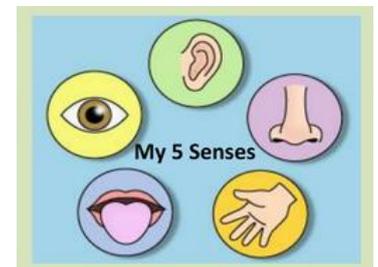
Communication group: focusing upon building relationships with new staff and children, listening to others, learning new routines, cooperating and interacting with peers, making requests and describing objects.

Listening and responding to a variety of stories

Individual literacy I.E.P targets.

Introduce and explore new vocabulary linked to our Pet and Body topic.

Fine Motor Skills sessions.



Mathematical Understanding

Individual maths I.E.P targets. Inclusion visits

Days of the week, months of the year, measuring and weighing ingredients. Sorting and classifying groups. Exploring position, size and ordering objects according to size.

Scientific and Technological understanding

Cooking sessions where the children will make a variety of food linked to our topics.

Investigating what happens to food when we add water, heat or cool it.

Investigating materials which can be permanently changed and those that cannot.

Weekly science sessions linked to our body exploring the five senses; children will develop skills of exploration, investigation, prediction and fair testing.

Children will be learning to name parts of their body and explore the main internal organs and their purpose within their body.

Understanding the Arts

Creating a range of pets using 2d and 3d media. The children will be exploring a range of techniques to create: faces and people. They will create 3d models using papier mache of eyes, nose, tongue, hands and ears. Throughout the second half of the Autumn term, children will engage in a variety of seasonal art and crafts linked to Halloween, Diwali, Bonfire night and Christmas.

Understanding Physical Development, Health and Well-being

Getting to know their new class: children, teachers, environment and routines.

Gymnastics: using apparatus, we are exploring ways of travelling including: sliding, climbing, crawling, leaping, jumping and hopping.

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

P.E days are Wednesday and Thursday: Please can your child have their P.E kit at school.

R.E

This term we will be focusing on Old Testament stories including: The Creation Story, David & Goliath, Daniel in the Lion's Den, Jonah & the Whale, Moses and Joseph. We will be learning about harvest exploring why and how Christians celebrate during "Harvest time."

After half term we shall be continuing with Old Testament stories and will also be learning about Diwali and (dare I say it Christmas!)

Snacks are available twice a day and which we provide at a cost of £2.00 per week. Please can you send the money in with your child on a Monday. If, however you would prefer to send your child with snacks from home then please send these in daily with a drink.



We shall be cooking on a regular basis 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 be held on a Monday afternoon. Your children will have the opportunity to play alongside their tutors (year 4).

The daily diaries are a great way to communicate and we encourage you to keep writing in them to inform us of any special things your child has done or how they have been. However, please feel free to contact us at school if you have any concerns, or just want to talk about your child.

Class trip: This is likely to be towards the end of the Autumn Term (more details to follow)

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

The Rocket Team
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