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| Monday07/03/22 | **STEAM Month** Mini Forest – PMTogether Time: Makaton – We are learning the signs for wash hand and toilet |
| Tuesday08/03/22 | AM: P.E (we are exploring and learning to …….) **use gym equipment safely and follow instructions.**Together Time: Rights Respecting SchoolMini Forest - PM |
| Wednesday09/03/22 | Together Time: Rhyme Time Mini Forest - PM |
| Thursday10/03/22 | Together Time: Movement Matters |
| Friday11/03/22 | Group Time: Lending LibraryTogether Time: French with Camembear |
| **Reflections: Last week in Dunlop ECC** * STEAM Month began.
* The children were learning about their senses and the human body, and finding out what the correct names for different body parts and how they work.
* In the STEAM Room, the children were provided with mirrors and were encouraged to look at their face, with a focus on their eyes. The children were able to identify that they need their eyes to see and they enjoyed using paints to create their own eye painting. We had some amazing eyes, including eyelashes and eyebrows.
* Mrs Marshall drew round one of our children and once the body shape was cut out we discussed what was inside our bodies and what we need the different parts for. The children created a model of the inside of the human body including; intestines, bones, heart, lungs and brain. We started out with paint and the children decided they needed various materials from the collage trolley to make various organs pop out from the body.
* Mrs Gray provided the children with clothes and asked them how they could construct a human body to fit the clothes. One of the children identified that they needed straw to fill the clothes. The children worked collaboratively to construct their body, discussing what else they needed to make the perfect person. They realised they needed material to create the eyes, nose and mouth and chose resources from the art trolley to help them.
* We set up a smelling station, where the children were able to open various pots and try to identify what was inside. A lot of the children really liked the smell of lavender and lemon.
* Mrs Thomson introduced the children to the digestive system in the Imagination Station. The children took part in a fantastic experiment to find out what happens when the food and drink we have throughout the day enters our digestive systems. The children thoroughly enjoyed creating their hands on interactive digestive system model, complete with mashed banana and they particularly enjoyed sharing what they had learnt about poop.
* Mrs Mack explained to the children what their lungs were and explained what we need them for. The children had the opportunity to make their own set of lungs from straws and balloons and they could then demonstrate how the lungs expand when they are filled with air and deflate when we exhale! We have some young doctors amongst us!
* Outdoors the children investigated a feely box and tried to identify what was inside just by touching the various objects.
* We made gloop in the mud kitchen and painted with spices. The boys decided to take the spices that were left over from painting and add them to the gloop. They then collected water from the water butt and made some spicy potions.
* The children were given chalk and encouraged to draw round each other when they were in the big playground. You might have seen some of the bodies when you picked your child up on Friday or dropped them off this morning. The children added drawings of the internal organs and bones to the bodies.
* On Friday we had a tasting experience. The children were fantastic and tried almost everything they were offered. Some of the favourite tastes were; soy sauce, lemon, honey, dark chocolate and there was a lot of funny faces when they tried the sour sweets.
* Instead of going into the Mini Forest we went on a senses walk. We closed our eyes and listened for different sounds, we used our eyes to look up and talk about what we saw and used our nose to identify anything we could smell. This was a super experience for the children to stop and enjoy the nature that surrounds them!
* At Makaton we learnt the signs for wash hands and toilet and the children showed Mrs Nouillan all their new Makaton learning, she was very impressed!
* During French we used Google Earth to go to France! The children requested a visit to the Eiffel Tower. We had a lot of discussion about the size of the tower. We went to the Louvre and saw the glass pyramid. We spoke about the Louvre being full of art and famous painting and some of the children have asked to find out more about this.

As you will see, we are always busy and the children engage in all areas of the curriculum through rich learning experiences which are underpinned by play, investigation, exploration, curiosity and fun!Next week is Technology week and we have wonderful plans for the children!  |
| **Linked Home Learning**We would love to see any learning you do at home. You can email pictures to me at pauline.marshall@eastayrshire.org.uk or you can upload them straight onto your learning journal. |
| **Shared Home Learning for March*** Please see our STEAM Month post on the Blog to access our shared learning for this month. Should you take part in any of the STEAM Shared Home Learning, you can quickly snap photos and upload this to your child’s Learning Journal. We will take time in the ECC to share this with the children.
* Spring/Easter bonnet Shared Learning. Please see the APP or letter that your child has brought home for more information on this.

We really hope you enjoy doing some of the Shared Learning with your children. |
| **Makaton**For this term, Mrs Mack will lead a weekly Makaton lesson with the children as part of Together Time. Please open the link below for this week’s Makaton Songs and Rhymes should you want to practise these at home[**https://forms.office.com/r/z53A14zSgT**](https://forms.office.com/r/z53A14zSgT) |
| **Any Other Information** * **Mini Forest.**  If you have not supplied a warm cosy jumper and hat for your child, could you please do so. Can you also please provide your child with a change of clothes and warm socks for the day they are at the Mini Forest, this will allow them to get changed if they get wet. The weather has a distinct nip and chill to the air and although we provide waterproof jackets and trousers, these have no layering to give the children warmth. Outdoor learning plays a huge part in the children’s daily experiences and it is just too cold for them to be outdoors without cosy clothes.
* As we have P.E every Tuesday, please dress your child in trainers and clothes suitable for exercise, this will will enable your child to be able to move comfortably and will support health and saftety and wellbeing in the gym hall.
* **Lending Library.** The children will choose a book at Group Time on Friday, can you please return them to the ECC no later than Thursday morning, so we have their bags ready for Friday. The children are loving the Lending Library and it is super to listen to the children as they share their thoughts on their chosen book.

**STEAM Month (March)**Please support our forthcoming STEAM Month and visit the children virutally via the Promethean Board to tell us about your world of work in professions relating to **Science, Technologiy, Engineering, Art & Maths**The link for this has been shared via the app, please sign for up this. The children love it when parents visit us digitally!We are also always on the lookout for resources that can enhance the children’s learning. If you have anything that will support teaching and learnig during STEAM month, please let us know or hand them in! We always find a use for everything! |