

The Explorers Term 2 Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

The Explorers have had a very busy first term in our new classroom. The children have adapted well to the changes that were made and are enjoying their new setting. In term 2 we will continue to reinforce routines and friendships along with working on our targets. The children love to explore the outdoor areas and we are hoping to incorporate this into getting out and about in the community this term.

Mrs Ross and Mrs Martamano

Health and Wellbeing

In term 2 the Explorers will be identifying and discussing their feelings and how to express them, using words as well as actions. Learners will be engaging in opportunities to build friendships with their peers and participate in group tasks in the classroom and also outdoors. For PE, the focus will continue to be on team games and this term we will introduce basketball to the learners. We will be exploring a variety of emergency situations to demonstrate how to keep ourselves and others safe in school, community and outdoors.



Mathematics and Numeracy



This term, the Explorers will be engaging in a variety of activities to meet their termly targets. Some of the learners will be focussing on sequencing to 20, counting on and counting back in ones to 20 and identifying coins up to the value of £2. Some will be concentrating on addition and subtraction with 2-4 digit numbers, place value and using coins and notes to £20 in different ways. We will be incorporating digital learning into Numeracy this term along with taking our learning outdoors.

Literacy/Communication

For Literacy, the Explorers will be continuing to attend the library and will be given guidance and encouragement to choose relevant texts which will reflect their reading abilities. Each week, the learners will have the opportunity to share and write a personal account of their weekend. We are also going to be learning how to put this into a word document and change fonts and layout. Some learners will engage in tasks where they can practice listening and responding appropriately to others in a respectful way. They will also be practicing independent writing, focussing on using a variety of punctuation. Some learners will explore a variety of sounds to support reading and writing, with a specific focus on CVC and CVCC words, following the Phonics Progression Programme.



Diary

Our P.E. days are on Thursday morning and Friday afternoon. We have outdoor learning on a Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday and Thursday. They are welcome to bring in a change of clothes or shoes if they wish. The Explorers also attend the Supported Learning assembly with another two classes on a Wednesday afternoon. The children will be sharing their interests with each other on a Friday afternoon through show and tell. On a Friday afternoon, they will have the opportunity to engage in cooking tasks and learning about safety in the kitchen. We will continue to use Seesaw as our key communication platform and we encourage you to share anything that the children are participating in at home with us too. Please do not hesitate to get in touch through Seesaw or by phone if there is anything we can help with.