

Marvellous Me

In this topic the children will learn about who everyone is in our class and the people who are part of our families.

The children will have the opportunity to share their experiences with the class using their own 'All About Me' booklets. The children will be encouraged to discuss their feelings and work together during small group activities. The children will use their creative skills to paint a portrait of themselves. During the term the children will focus on writing their names using the correct letter formations from the Read Write Inc scheme.

Transport

In this topic we will be thinking about different types of transport and the technology they might use. We will be using our understanding of the world to think about places we have visited and the transport we have used. We will use our imagination to create our own types of transport. We will also be thinking about how to use transport safely.

Space

In this topic the children will explore Space. Whole class reading will look at 'Whatever Next' and 'Aliens Love Underpants'.

The children will be introduced to 2D shapes and explore how they could be used to create their own rockets. They will use their understanding of the world to discuss why it is difficult to live in space and why an astronaut needs a special suit. The small world area will provide children with the opportunity to create their own space themed stories.

Reception **Autumn 2018**

Mathematics

We link all of our Maths learning to our current topics. Our Maths focus this term will be recognising numbers and different counting activities (to 10 initially, then beyond). We will start to estimate 'how many' then count to check. We will be introducing some mathematical language including 'more', 'fewer' and finding 'one more' or 'one less' than a group of objects. We will look at 2D and 3D shapes (naming, sorting and describing shapes) and make patterns with objects and shapes.

Julia Donaldson

In this topic we will be looking at a variety of books by Julia Donaldson, including 'The Gruffalo', 'The Princess and the Wizard' and 'Room on the Broom'. We will be thinking about different words that can rhyme. We will be counting and measuring different ingredients to make potions and spells. The children will also be thinking about kindness and how they can be kind just like the characters in the stories we read.

Festivals and celebrations

In this topic, we will be looking at different festivals and celebrations that people observe throughout the year. These will include Christmas, Bonfire Night, Halloween and Diwali. We will be learning about why and how they are celebrated as well as creating our own decorations and food tasting. We will be listening to other people's experiences of these celebrations and talking about why they are important.

Autumn

In this topic, we will be making observations of how this season affects our environment (the leaves changing colours and falling, the temperature, the weather). We will make outdoor pictures using things we find outside and carefully choose Autumnal colours in our drawings and paintings. We will describe the things we see in our environment. In the Autumn topic we will think about harvest and where different types of food can grow.

Physical Education

In PE this term we will be learning to move in different ways, adjusting speed and direction using the indoor and outdoor spaces. We will be developing gross motor skills with throwing and catching different sized objects.

We will teach the children how to use all of the equipment safely as well as to be aware of the environment around them.