F2 Half Term Curriculum Overview

Spring 1 2022/23
Superheroes/People who help us



Literacy

Word Reading

In our phonics we will revisit the sounds we have already covered, focusing on developing our blending of sounds to hear and read simple words. We will begin bringing home Sounds Write books that link to the phonics we have been learning in school. We will also continue to learn new sight words – these are words that we can't sound out.

Writing

Throughout this half term, we will continue to develop our name writing – especially making sure we are pinching our pencils to help us. We will use our phonics knowledge to write words with three sounds and we will also begin to write captions (a small group of words).

Comprehension

When reading our focus text each week, we will spend time discussing the events that happen throughout the story. We will revisit parts of the story using drama techniques such as 'hot seating' where we will ask questions to characters in the story! We will continue to use our imaginations and role play ideas to fully understand the stories too.

Growth Mindset

Kanye the Kindness Star
Sophie the Self-Control Star
We will also be taking part in the Commando Joe's
programme which aims to help children develop
essential life and character skills.

Homework

- To share a book at home at least once a week as well as read a book from school that is tailored to your child's phonic reading level.
 Please bring your book bag and reading diary into F2 every day.
- To talk, talk, talk!
- Topic homework grid have a go at the activities and upload it onto Tapestry!

Maths

Number

In number this half term, we will continue to develop our skills with counting forward and backwards from 0 - 10. Our focus will now be on numbers 0, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Numerical Patterns

We will continue to practice ordering numbers to 10 and look at comparing groups up to 10. This will involve the use of lots of different resources to contribute to our understanding of more and less. We will be using number lines to aid this further, and to identify how, as we count up, numbers get bigger and, as we count back, they get smaller! This is something that will be resourced within the environment so that the children can practice using all sorts of different resources that suit their interests and our ongoing topic.

Books

Our core texts are:
Supertato by Su Hendra
Super Daisy by Kes Gray & Nick Sharratt
Non-fiction texts about people who help us
A Superhero Like You by Dr Ranj
We will also have lots of other books linked to our topic in our reading area!

Special Events

Weekly Alexandra House visits

Visitors from the community to tell us all about their jobs

Spring nature walks

Understanding the World

People, culture and communities

We will be getting to know all about the different people we have in our community that help us keep safe- our real life superheroes! This will hopefully include some special visitors to talk to the children about their role and how they help us.

The natural world

Our small world table and Investigation area will be linked to our topic and help us to explore our favourite and real world superheroes! We'll discuss how things in our environment might be safe/unsafe, and who we could call if we needed some help.

Past and present

We will engage in discussions about our family members and the jobs they do, and then compare these. We will look at pictures of police stations, firefighters, etc. from the past and look at how they are different now.

Physical Development

Gross and fine motor skills

In PE we will be working on moving different parts of our bodies and to move our bodies in different ways to music. We will also develop our gross motor skills during our choosing time outdoors where we will be able to engage in large scale construction to make buildings and equipment for different people who help us. We will also be continuing our weekly Commando Joe's sessions.

Our fine motor skills will continue to develop this half term through the use of our morning jobs which might include peg boards, elastic band activities, cotton bud painting and threading. We will also be focusing on ensuring we are pinching our pencils, working towards using our two fingers and thumb in a pincer grasp.

Expressive Arts and Design

Creating with materials

We will be creating our own superheroes (just like Supertato!) as well as using different medium in our artwork and creations to explore texture and pattern. In addition to our usual creative activities, we will also begin doing art lessons, primarily exploring 'how do I make colour?'. We will look at the work of artists such as Johns, encouraging the children to share their own thoughts and opinions, and explore how primary colours can be mixed to make secondary colours.

Being imaginative

In our music sessions we will be exploring some common nursery rhymes. We will use our own instruments and body percussion to recreate music and songs. We will discuss different music and songs and explain why we like some music more than others. In our role play area, we will explore different professions of people that help us, including both fictional and real-life superheroes! We will also have a 'police station' set up in our topic area where the children will be encouraged to act out their own storylines and imaginative play ideas.



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