

Communication

Language Augmentative and Alternative communication (AAC)

What we are teaching

We will be focusing on choice making language; 'more' and 'finished', 'yes' and 'no', 'like' and 'dislike'.

How we are teaching it

As appropriate students will use photo, symbols, Topic Boards and Eye Gaze in daily routines and as part of structure learning sessions to reinforce the concept of cause and effect, making choices and expressing likes and dislikes.

Literacy (Sensory Story and Phonics)

What we are teaching

In Phonics this term we are looking at letter recognition and mark making. For this we will be exploring trays of exciting sensory material and looking for the letters hidden within, we will also be using our hands and fingers to begin to make the shapes of the letters.

Our main story this term will be The Colour Monster. Using this story we will be able to explore emotions and colours.

How we are teaching it

The Colour Monster

Sensory Cooking and Sensology

What we are teaching and Sensology

In sensory cooking we are continuing to look at colours and exploring the ingredients to make pizza.

In Sensology we will be exploring 5 different objects, one for each sense.

How we are teaching it

Each week in sensory cooking we will be adding a new topping to our pizza one for each colour of our story including mushrooms and red peppers.

In Sensology this term our Objects are all related to our daily routine including practicing brushing our teeth

Over-arching topic (All about me)

Term 1

GREEN CLASS



Problem Solving and Reasoning

Hand Function

What we are teaching

This term we will be exploring different colours and practicing moving our hands in different ways

How we are teaching it

We will be doing this through hand massage songs and filling/ emptying containers of coloured sensory material.

Knowledge and Experience of the World

Geography

What we are teaching

As we return after the break we will focus on getting to know our classroom and school. Working hard on where things go, where to go and when.

How we are teaching it

We will be encouraging independence as appropriate for student to hang up their bag and coat etc. Students will be shown objects of reference/ and our symbols as we navigate around the school so that they build understanding of where to go when.

Computing

What we are teaching

Students will use a variety of ICT to develop an understanding of cause and effect. Students will also be using ICT to aid choice making with in structured lesson and leisure time.

How we are teaching it

Eye Gaze
Big Macs
Switch toys

RE and British Values

What we are teaching

We will be focusing on emotions this term. Students will be encouraged to develop an awareness of their own feelings and the feelings of those around them through shared experiences. Where appropriate students will work on naming feelings and responding appropriately to the feelings of others.

How we are teaching it

During our Sensory story and atmospherics we are exploring different emotions through music and touch.

Creative and Leisure

Music

What we are teaching

We use music throughout the curriculum. It will be used as music of reference for days of week, times of the day and specific activities. Added to this we will be giving an opportunity to respond to a variety of music in different ways (dancing, stilling, emotional response).

All students are encouraged to be active in music by filling pauses, exploring tempo and volume.

How we are teaching it

Music of reference
Massage Stories
Resonance Board Activities
Daily routine songs

Art or Design Technology

What we are teaching

This term of focus will be on art we will be exploring a different colour each week linking to our story the colour monster. We are working towards increased understanding and independence as the term progresses.

How we are teaching it

We will be practicing holding onto objects including paintbrushes and gluing different materials. Students will then be supported to explore the task, with a strong focus on independence



Physical Development

PE

What we are teaching

This term we will be focusing on different throwing events in preparation for our sports day.

How we are teaching it

PE coaches will be teaching different skills to our class.



Swimming

What we are teaching

Each week we will be focusing on our Individual swimming targets set by Angela.

How we are teaching it

We will work on achieving our swimming targets by working with an adult on a one to one basis.

Independent Living Skills

Daily routines

What we are teaching

Each day pupils are given the opportunity to learn routine, respond and engage as fully as possible.

How we are teaching it

Morning and afternoon communication hello sessions allow for quality interactions between pupils and staff. The activities are consistent throughout the week.

Building and Maintaining Relationships

What we are teaching

This term we will focus on making a choice of activity that we like to do.

How we are teaching it

Each week we will be given a choice of activity that we like to do from a selection of symbols. This allows for social interaction with each other and adults in our classroom.

Developing Independence

What we are teaching

We will be focusing on using talking, symbols and signing to communicate our needs and make choices.

How we are teaching it

The emphasis will be on using symbols and signing in all areas of the curriculum in order to communicate.