

Stories and songs:

This term, Macaw Class will be exploring our new theme of **Street Party in Brazil** through a range of stories such as a non-fiction text all about Brazil and a story called Maria's Surprise. We will continue to explore our stories using a range of sensory props, visuals and communication tools to support us to answer a range of questioning relating to the story.

We will also explore a range of music and songs about carnivals including listening and dancing to Samba music.

Literacy and Phonics:

We will be working hard to improve our sentence construction this term through the use of Colourful Semantics to form our own sentences relating to our stories. We will also continue to work on our mark making and communication skills through a range of tracing, writing and sensory based tasks.

Problem Solving and Reasoning:

For maths this term, pupils will focus on developing their understanding of time, number and early problem-solving skills through practical and real-life experiences. At the start of the term, pupils will explore daily routines and the passage of time, using language such as "now" and "next" and becoming familiar with the days of the week. They will take part in sequencing activities and begin to understand how events fit into their day. As the term progresses, pupils will develop their understanding of number through subtraction, using real objects to practise taking away and finding how many are left. They will also explore early concepts of sharing and fractions by working with whole objects and splitting them into equal parts. These activities will support pupils in building confidence with problem solving in meaningful, everyday contexts.

Carnival: Street Party in Brazil

Macaw Class



How you can help at home:

You can support your child by going on a light and sound walk, discussing what you can see and hear and identifying different sources in the environment. Encourage your child to join in with cooking activities, using language such as whole, half and quarter when sharing food. You can also promote a healthy lifestyle by setting up simple circuits at home or choosing and exploring different fruits together when shopping.

Other Curriculum areas:

Science:

Pupils will explore light and dark through sensory activities using a range of different light up toys and objects. They will investigate different sounds and learn about sources of light and noise.

Theme:

In our theme sessions we will be exploring street parties in Brazil through a sensory exploration session. Pupils will explore music, outfits, dancing and much more.

PSHE:

We will continue to work on our understanding of our emotions throughout the term. We will also have a focus on healthy eating and lifestyles with pupils adventuring on a trip to the local shop to buy healthy exotic fruits. We will also have the opportunity to take part in sensory circuits.

D.T:

During our D.T. sessions this term we will be exploring key language of 'like' and 'dislike' using visuals. Pupils will have the opportunity to look, touch, smell, taste and play with different fruits commenting if they like or dislike throughout the session.

Art:

During our art sessions this term pupils will have the opportunity to explore mixing colours using a range of sensory media e.g. foam paint. We will also be making our own maracas and carnival masks.

Highlights:

We have lots of exciting events and activities planned this term including:

- Trips to Aldi as a part of our PSHE lessons.
- Phase 1 Brazilian street party
- Whole school Carnival where pupils can dress up, dance and listen to music.
- St. George's Day