

Stories and songs:

Maria's Surprise
Hello Brazil
Festival of Colours
Last Stop on Market Street
Counting from 1-10 – Youtube
Fraction are part of a whole – Jack Hartman

Literacy and Phonics:

This term our Literacy learning is centred around the story Maria's Surprise. Through this engaging and sensory-rich story, the children will explore key vocabulary such as the different names of fruits and different animals that reside in Brazil. We will focus on developing understanding of what a celebration is with a focus on street parties and why different occasions are celebrated. The children will explore how parties are celebrated in Brazil and their importance. They will be exploring different colours and clothing worn to these events as well as the different types of music that is used to help celebrate. The children will have an amazing time this term.

Mathematics

This term the children will be developing early understanding of addition and counting on through practical and meaningful activities. They will use real objects such as cups, cubes and party-themed items to explore counting and adding one more. Children will begin to understand the concept of more and will be supported to count on using number lines and physical movement. Mathematical language such as add, more and together will be modelled consistently using AAC systems. The focus will be on engagement, repetition and building early mathematical understanding through hands-on experiences.

Carnival: Street Party in Brazil

Owl Class



How you can help at home:

Practise counting everyday objects (e.g. toys, snacks) up to 10
Encourage your child to use words like more, less, on, under, in during play
Talk about foods at home – describe them (e.g. big, small, sweet, soft)
Let your child help with simple routines (tidying, putting items away)
Share books together and talk about pictures
Encourage independence with daily tasks such as dressing, eating, and tidying
Help us see the progress by uploading photos and videos to Earwig to record as much evidence as possible to create amazing timelines.

Other Curriculum areas:

Art: Children will explore art through sensory, supported activities inspired by a Brazilian street party. They will investigate colour, patterns, textures and early mark-making using a range of materials.

Science: Children will explore light and sound in a fun, sensory way linked to our street party theme. They will experience different light sources, learn about turning them on and off, and explore sounds using instruments and music. Activities focus on cause and effect, light and dark, and expressing choices using AAC.

Design and Technology: Using ICT, children will create simple patterns and sequences on iPads and keyboards. They will explore turn-taking, make simple digital designs and join in activities such as creating a digital dance or invitations. The focus is on creativity, early design skills and confidence with technology.

Geography: Children will begin learning about the wider world, focusing on Brazil. Through sensory experiences and ICT, they will explore differences such as weather, music and celebrations, helping them understand that other places can be different from where they live.

History: This term focuses on celebrations and special events. Children will explore familiar experiences such as birthdays before learning about community celebrations, including Brazilian street parties. Activities support early understanding of events, memories and shared experiences.

Music: Children will explore rhythm, sound and music through sensory experiences linked to Brazilian street parties. They will listen, make sounds, play instruments and begin simple repeating patterns. AAC will support children to express preferences and take part in group music-making.

Careers: Children will be introduced to different community roles through the theme of a street party, including musicians, dancers and helpers. Through role play and shared activities, they will explore teamwork and taking part in different roles.

Highlights

Trips to Radley Farm
Phase one celebration and
St George's Day.