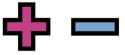
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Literacy



We will be reading the stories: 'When a Dragon Comes to Stay' by Caryl Hart, 'Hello Friend' by Rebecca Cobb and 'Kindness Makes us Strong' by Sophie Beer. We will be looking at the verbs and nouns in these books, talking about the characters and events in the stories, as well as predicting what may happen next. We will bring the language alive by adding actions and singing songs related to the books.

Maths





In Maths, we will be learning our colours and sorting items by colour. We will be making simple repeating patterns, comparing mass, size and capacity. We will be sorting and matching objects by colour, type or size. We will be using mathematical vocabulary like 'similar', 'different' and 'the same'.

Communication and Language



This term, we will be developing a listening culture in the classroom. We will share familiar stories and rhymes. We will focus on phonological awareness by playing listening games, singing songs and rhymes, and learning how to identify syllables in words. We will develop the children's communication skills with high-quality adult interactions; role modelling correct speech and grammar and by getting the children to copy our words, phrases and sentences. We will be teaching the children how to hear the initial sounds in words.

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Expressive Arts and Design



This half-term we will be recognising colours and choosing colours for a purpose. We will be using thick paintbrushes and glue sticks independently and PVA glue with spatulas. We will be listening to music, singing songs and developing our ability to keep in time as a group.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



Our topic for this half-term is 'Me and My Relationships'. We will be looking at themes such as 'Marvellous Me', 'I'm Special' and 'People Who are Special to Me'. We will be reading 'The Things I Like' by Anthony Browne, 'Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes' by Mem Fox and 'The Family Book' by Todd Parr. We will be focusing on what makes us unique and understanding that all families are different.

Physical Development



This term we will be following the 'Wiggle Me into a Squiggler' scheme which concentrates on developing gross motor movements. We will be manipulating play dough and participating in 'dough discos' – practicing our skills such as rolling, cutting, squashing, pinching and twisting.

Understanding the World



This half-term we will be learning about celebrations and festivals such as Diwali and Harvest Festival. We will be looking at our family photographs and discussing children, parents and grandparents. We will also be observing seasonal changes in autumn, with the opportunity to explore different textures outdoors.