

People who help US.

What will I be?

Welcome to the Summer Term!



I hope you all had a brilliant Easter holiday. We can't wait to get the children settled back into their learning and get our teeth into our new topic 'People who help us' and 'What will I be...?'



COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

This half term we will continue to build on our listening skills. We will be working on our ability to follow instructions and 'listen and do'. We will also be working on our ability to use talk to solve problems and reason - We will be trying to use the word 'because' to explain why things happen and how things work.

Our new topic will have a really strong focus on our Communication and Language skills as well learn about lots of different jobs and hopefully listen to some guest speakers tell us all about the jobs they do. We will also be using 'who', 'what', 'when', 'where', 'why' and 'how' to come up with questions to ask our visitors.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Our PE sessions will continue on a Monday afternoon. This half term we will be focusing on our sending and receiving skills. We will also be building our confidence in moving in a range of different ways - linking movements together and performing our skills to our friends.

We will also be continuing to develop our fine motor skills through daily activities and reinforcement through our Rainbow Challenges on a Friday morning.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Our Lifewise sessions for this half term will be focusing on, being kind and gentle towards each other, solving problems, taking the lead and also working together. Our Lifewise sessions will happen on a Monday with Miss Downing leading this learning.

Problem solving and collaboration will play a huge part in our PSED this half term both within our adult led and our own child initiated activities. We will be encouraging the children to plan what they would like to do during the day, discussing who they will play with and what they will need in order to facilitate their activities. We will also begin to encourage them to be reflective about what they have done.

Over the course of this half term, we will also be asking the children to be reflective about themselves and others. Encouraging them to speak with confidence and positivity about their own abilities and just how far they have come in their learning so far



LITERACY

The children have loved taking part in our weekly Drawing Club sessions. This half term we will be beginning our Drawing Club with the story of Supertato.

In addition to our weekly literacy sessions, we will be encouraging the children to have the confidence to use their amazing writing skills within their own activities. This could be by creating a caption for their art work, a label for their constructions or perhaps writing their own stories or plans for their activities.

We will be continuing to support the children's letter formation with daily opportunities to practice. As the children move through their final term in Tater Du, we will be encouraging them to form all of their letters correctly and apply this skill within all writing opportunities.

There are many opportunities for the children to read over the course of the week. As well as our daily phonics sessions, the children will carry out group Guided Reading, as well as 1-1 reading with one of the adults each week.

Please continue to support your child's reading skills at home by listening to them read or practicing their sounds with them each evening. Anything that you are able to do at home - no matter how big or small, really does have a huge impact and we really appreciate your support with this.



MATHS

We will be moving on to extend our number knowledge by counting and exploring numbers beyond 10. We will be using manipulatives to build quantities between 10-20 and will be working on our ability to be confident and consistent at counting up to and beyond 20.

Over the course of this half term, we will be using our number knowledge to group, share and compare quantities and will become confident in talking about what we have done and what we have discovered. We will be carrying out simple addition and subtraction (more and less) and will be reinforcing our ability to recall number bonds to 5 and 10.

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

Our topic for this half term will allow us to explore our local area and the jobs that people do within our community. We will be finding out about the jobs that our grown ups have and will be talking about these in our Show and Tell sessions. We will also have the opportunity to get out and about and welcome visitors to our classroom to find out about their jobs.

We will spend some time thinking and discussing what we want to be when we grow up and we will revisit this discussion at the end of our topic to see if our opinion is still the same.

This half term, we will also be working with the NHS's Big Brush Project. This is a new and fully funded project which promotes effective tooth brushing and oral hygiene.

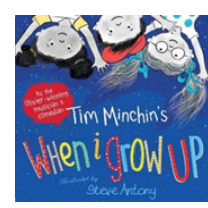
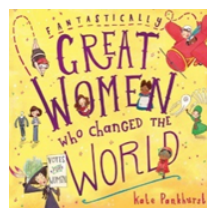
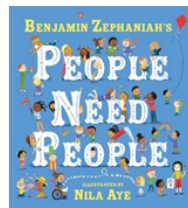
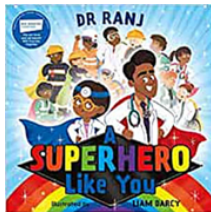
EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN.

This half term our Artist study will be Vincent Van Gogh. We will explore his art and will create our own sunflower pictures based on his very famous work. We will continue to explore colour by investigating how colours can be mixed to achieve shades. We will spend time looking at symmetry and creating our own symmetrical butterfly prints.

SAVE THE DATE:

We are really excited that Tater Du will be taking part and performing in the Minack Theatre's **Little Sing** on the 15th May. Further details of this will follow ASAP.

A FEW OF THE BOOKS THAT WILL INSPIRE OUR LEARNING THIS HALF TERM



JUST SOME OF THE VOCABULARY THAT WE WILL LEARN

Help Community Ambition Paramedic Dream
Emergency Firefighter Policeman Coastguard Education Achieve
Future Librarian

OUR RHYMES/SONGS THIS HALF TERM WILL BE:

We are Jellyfish.

I Recycle

There are lots of people who help us.

Old Macdonald's Vet

