Hob Moor Community Primary Academy Summer Term Newsletter 2023

Welcome back! Class: Team Orca



PSED

Our aim in Nursery is to ensure that the children are happy and settled and that they explore the resources in both the inside and outside environments with their friends. We will support children in understanding what is meant by 'everyday behaviours' and why it is important to make sure that they and their friends are happy and safe in school. It is very important that the children have good attendance to build up their confidence.

Communication and Language

In Nursery we discuss what and who we are going to play with every day in small groups before we play. The children call this planning. The children are encouraged to talk about themselves and their families, what they enjoy doing and places they like to visit. We will also talk about what makes us similar and different.

We have a word and a Makaton sign of the week to develop vocabulary. Please ask if you would like to use them at home. Please take time to talk with your child about their day at Nursery.

Physical Development

For the Orcas outdoors is simply an extension of our curriculum where your child will benefit from all-weather experiences. Outdoors is full of fascinating and interesting experiences including sand and water where learning can take place on a daily basis. We also have a 'mud kitchen' where we explore different tactile materials. Please be aware of the weather and apply sun cream before Nursery if necessary or bring a coat!

Spare clothes in a bag are also really useful!

Learning Challenges

This term, our whole school themes are 'Where in the World' and 'A Pirates Life for me'. Within the first half term, we will be learning all about different countries and the similarities and differences between them. Next half term, we will be learning all about pirates. We will be learning facts about pirates and learning lots of songs and stories. We will also be looking at how the world has changed over time compared to how we currently live.

Mathematics

In mathematics, we will have lots of fun singing number rhymes and exploring numbers within our play. Please always ask if your child comes home singing a rhyme and you would like the words. Children will explore shapes, naming and describing 2D shapes and using 2D and 3D shapes to make pictures and build models. Parents can support this work by pointing out numbers and shapes as you walk about. Please use the vocabulary of big, small, round, flat, curved, straight, long and short. Also please count at every opportunity for example toys, jumps even steps.

Literacy

Throughout the term the children will listen to a range of stories, songs and rhymes and have opportunities to talk about their favourites. Some of these books will be linked to our topics each half term, and will help us develop our knowledge and understanding of space and farms. Within phonics, we will be playing lots of oral blending games, where we will be listening to sounds and blending them together in our heads. An example of this is when we say "c-a-t", we will know it is "cat". Please practise this at home!

Many thanks for your support and cooperation