



Theme: On Land and Sea



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We continue to develop our approach to our learning; improving our focus within all our activities. We will be encouraged to challenge ourselves in all areas of our work. We will be working with a variety of people, in partnership, in small and larger groups.

The Commando Jo missions will help us to continue to work together and understand the importance of looking after our world.

Physical Development

Our PE sessions continue with Mrs Lee-Turner on Thursdays and we also have Matthew teaching us cricket on Wednesdays, for the first part of the term. This will allow us to continue to develop our balance, agility and co-ordination and apply them to a range of activities. We will continue to work on our fine and gross motor skills through active learning experiences, both inside and out. We will continue to develop our understanding of how to keep ourselves safe with a specific focus on safety in the sun and continued handwashing. We will be presented with opportunities to make healthy choices.

Communication and Language Development

Role play and storytelling will be a key part of our work this term. We will be linking our role play initially to a castle theme, enabling us to develop our communication skills, including listening to our friends. We will use this to enhance our literacy. We continue to make time for stories, poems and songs as an important part of our learning through the day, giving us opportunities to predict, develop and change what we hear and enjoy. Our Commando Jo missions will help us continue to develop our communication skills.

Mathematics

We will be using our understanding of numbers to solve number problems, with a focus on multiples and sharing. We will develop the concept of 'estimation' as we continue to learn about the size of numbers. We will practice counting in 2s and 10s; count up and back from various starting numbers. We will look at, and use, numbers to help us understand time; including reading and writing o'clock times.

Literacy

We continue to use RWI, developing our sound knowledge; being introduced to and practice the many 'digraphs'/' Special Friends'. We will continue to become brave in having a go at using our sounds in our writing, through both child initiated play and more formal activities. We will practice our segmenting of sounds which are in the words which we wish to write, and blending the sounds as we work out words we wish to read. We will use the theme of castles and later the sea to enhance our desire to read and write; writing stories and poems as well as instructions on growing plants.

Understanding of the World

As the seasons change from spring to summer, we will be enjoying observing the changes which take place. We will have opportunities to plant and care for seeds; making observations and talking about what is happening. In RE, we will begin to explore the faith of Judaism. We will be looking for similarities and differences to the Christian faith, learning about the Jewish faith, the Torah scrolls as well as their special place of worship. We will enjoy learning about the past as we consider castles and what they were for. We will look at the famous explorers such as Christopher Columbus; enjoy looking at and creating maps. We will be looking at and comparing different materials and considering ideas linked with recycling and why this is important. We will have the opportunity to develop our ICT skills as we use the interactive board in our learning, program the 'Beebots' to do as we ask, use the ipad to record our activities and enjoy using computer programs to develop our learning.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will continue to be encouraged to create things which interest us, developing our ideas as we come across problems and reflect on how to make improvements. We will continue to try out different techniques which we can explore further, using them to enhance our art and designs. We will use our design skills to make castle structures as well as musical instruments. Role play will promote our story telling as we develop narratives through our play. There will be opportunities to join in and express ourselves through songs, dance and performances.