

Personal Social and Emotional Development

This term we will be focusing on increasing the children's independence in class. The children will be encouraged to listen and concentrate for extended periods of time as we build up whole class sessions for Phonics and Maths. We will be increasing the number of steps of instructions given at one time using our signs and words "First", "Next" and "Finally". We will be talking about compassion, what it means, what it looks like and why it is an important value at Blakesley Primary.

Reception Overview

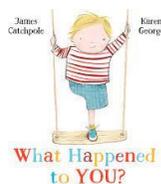
Summer Term 1

Understanding the World

Through our value of Compassion we will be using the books "What Happened to You" and "Freddie and the Fairy" to think about how we can be kind to others. We will be thinking about who helps us at home, at school and in the wider world by thinking about different jobs people have. We will hopefully be visited by the Fire Brigade who will talk to us about what they do and also a Vet. We will also be looking at the season of Spring identifying changes that we notice. We will continue to have regular circle times for PHSE which will look at growth mindset and how we can train our brains to overcome difficulties.

Communication and Language

As we interact with the rest of the school in new and exciting situations such as house events and Sports Day we will be giving the opportunity to initiate conversations with new people. We will become more confident at expressing our ideas in small group situations, expanding on our ideas by offering further explanations. We will be using the word "because" to give reasoning to our explanations and learning the difference between a question and a statement.



Compassion

Literacy

Phonics sessions continue to be an important part of our weekly timetable. We will be learning digraphs (2 letters making 1 sound i.e. ch, sh, th) and how we can write polysyllabic words (breaking word into syllables before spelling each syllable) We will be learning new tricky words (those which can't be broken into sounds) and recapping those we already know. Writing will become more independent and we will be inserting exciting and challenging vocabulary into our sentences. Reading will become more fluent recognising which words do and don't need to be segmented (broken down into sounds).



Physical Development

PE sessions will be a time where we will be exploring our bodies and the different ways of moving. Our focus for this term will be on balancing and co-ordination. The children will be exploring balancing on one leg, hopping, side stepping and galloping. The children will be utilising fine motor skills and be encouraged to write on a daily basis in a range of ways.

Maths

The children will learn and practise basic number skills, counting, ordering, recognising and representing numerals to 10 and beyond. We will be increasing our confidence with number bonds to 10 and begin to look at subtraction.

Expressive Art and Design

Our role play area will change regularly following our interests and the children will be given the opportunity to assist with this. We will be using the process of "Plan, label, Make & Write" to help to think about what we are going to do and ensure that we are using the resources available to their maximum effectiveness. We will be using the influences of stories to engage our imaginations and will be using music to think about how we can move our bodies differently. By the end of term we will be able to follow a sequence of moves in time to music.