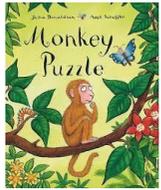


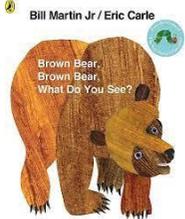
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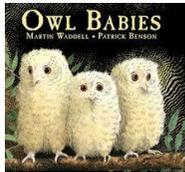
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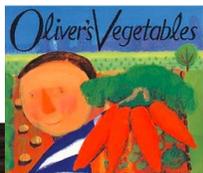
Brown Bear, Brown Bear by Bill Martin, JR



Owl Babies by Martin Waddell



Oliver's Vegetables by Vivian French



We are reading...

Writing: We will be learning to make our own marks in a variety of materials like shaving foam, gloop, dry rice and flour. We will also use drawing implements such as crayons, chalk and paint.

Exploring marks through media is a fundamental skill required for early writing. It gives the children an understanding that their marks can have a meaning and also it helps to develop their hand-eye coordination and fine motor skills.

Maths

Numbers

We will learn number names and learn to count to 5. We will use everyday objects, our fingers and number songs to support our understanding in numbers and their relationship.

Additionally, we will play with wooden blocks and explore 2D and 3D shapes. We will engage in shape hunt games to help us explore their properties and learn how to describe them.



Expressive Arts and Design

We'll explore different media and use the resources to express ourselves. We will use clay, engage in collage activities and explore printing techniques. We will also be learning how to mix colours and begin to describe the changes observed.

We will be experimenting with musical instruments and singing lots of songs that will become familiar very quickly!

We also have the chance to act out familiar roles and experiences in our role play areas.

Understanding of the World

We will spend lots of time in our outdoor area where we will learn about natural materials and weather.

Our topic for this part of the term is, 'Me and my community.' We'll focus on the community and the people who help us. We will learn about the different roles through dressing up and imaginative small world characters.

We will share information about our families through our 'All About Me' collage which will help us to see differences and similarities between each other.



PSED

Our personal, social and emotional development is the main priority during the first term at school and so we will be focussing on being kind to each other, making friends, taking care of our classroom and learning how to follow our Class Golden Rules. We'll work together to decide what our Golden Rules should be so that we can all understand what would make us feel safe and happy at school and how to make sure our school is always an inviting and welcoming place to come. We will also be learning how to be independent from our parents and Carers and how we can look after ourselves.

Communication and Language

We think that learning to express ourselves is very important! We'll learn every day short phrases to help us communicate with each other and with our new adults. We will have the chance to chat about our 'All About Me' collages which is always fun as we know so much about ourselves! We will also be learning lots of new words by listening to stories every day and the adults in preschool will be joining in with our play to model vocabulary too.

Homework

The homework for this half term is to create an 'All About Me' collage. This could have family photographs on it, drawings, information about favourite foods, places and toys and even some meaningful emblems such as a flag from our home country or a religious symbol. You can find information on homework on Google Classroom. We'll also be learning to engage with Purple Mash, where some exciting computing games will be set by the class teacher.

Gross Motor

Our gross motor skills are very important as they give us the strength to keep healthy but also to be able to sit on the carpet. We will be enjoying our climbing equipment, learning to ride bikes, engage in running games and sporting activities regularly outside.

Fine Motor

To help us develop our fine motor skills, we will have plenty of opportunities to engage in activities that will help strengthen our hand muscles. We will be using drawing implements such as chalk, crayons, felt tips and paintbrushes. We will also be mixing and digging in the mud kitchen, building with Duplo and Sticklebricks, threading beads and pasta and making marks in different materials. We will also learn to use the giant tweezers to have races and learn to cut lines with scissors.



Self-Care

In our first term, we will learn how to use the Preschool toilets safely and independently. This includes flushing the toilet after we have used it and washing our hands thoroughly. It is imperative that children can do this independently.

We will learn about healthy eating at snack time and how important it is to sit still whilst we eat or drink so that we stay safe. We will also begin to understand the importance of washing our hands before we eat.

