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Learning Highlights from Spring 2022:

World Book Day

On world book day we all had great fun dressing up as one of our favourite characters and reading lots of fantastic stories.



Pancake day

On 27th February for pancake day we read Mr Wolf's Pancakes, made and ate a delicious pancake and we had pancake races!



The new fire engine called Squirt came to visit!

We all had a wonderful, exciting time when we got to have a look around the new fire engine and all the equipment it holds. The fire crew explained how to recognise things which are dangerous and things that are safe and how to keep ourselves and our families safe. We all got to have a turn at holding and operating the fire hose, the water sprayed everywhere!



Science Week

We all became Little Scientists and took part in some mini Science experiments. In particular, we looked at changes of state e.g. which objects melt when left in a warm environment. We explored magnets and forces. We learnt about the scientist Maria Beasley, she invented many different things from a foot warmer to an improved life raft. We designed and tested our own life rafts using avocado skins, paper and sticks.

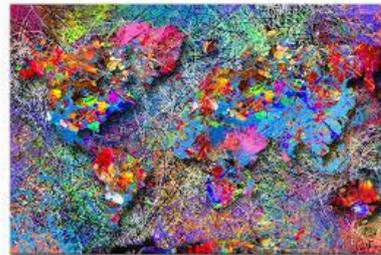
PE

We have been exploring the large apparatus, we have learnt to travel over, under and on the equipment to develop our skills in balance, control, coordination, strength and agility. We have also had great fun learning archery!



New Learning Highlights Summer 2022

At the start of the Summer term we are going to explore the work of a range of artists and try to recreate their masterpieces using different techniques. We will go into our outdoor environment to make natural art in the style of Goldsworthy, we will do some circle printing to recreate Kandinsky's famous 'Concrete Squares and Circles', and we will do some large scale splattering art in the style of Pollock!



We will be exploring a range of different stories and non-fiction books starting the Summer term with "The Tiny Seed" written by Eric Carle. If you don't have a copy of the book you can watch it here;

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3mtpOVHJuP4&t=26s>

We will be learning about the author Eric Carle who also wrote "The Very Hungry Caterpillar". Eric Carle draws the pictures and writes the story - he is an author and illustrator. This fabulous book will support our topic for the Summer term, "Growing and Changing".

PE

In physical development we are focusing on movement and dance as well as preparing for sports day with lots of team games. We will continue to develop fine motor skills with daily finger gym challenges and handwriting lessons.

Children need to wear their PE kit to school every Monday and Wednesday, in the Summer term. Weather permitting we will have our PE sessions outdoors and for health and safety reasons your child needs to wear trainers or plimsolls on PE days.

Homework Expectations

In FS2, the focus of homework is on the importance skill of reading. Regular reading at home, especially reading with a parent/carer, should be encouraged. We feel passionately that the most significant thing that you, as parent/carer, can do to support your child's learning is to share books with them on a regular basis. By this we mean reading to your child, listening to your child read and talking about what you are reading.

Your child will bring home their book of choice on a Monday, this book is for you to share with your child. On Wednesday your child will bring home their reading book, your child should spent short periods of time (10-15 minutes) each day reading and talking about their reading book.

Online Learning

In addition to reading, we would encourage you to spend time with your child accessing some of the online web activities.

<https://ebooks.collinsopenpage.com/>

School home reading books to share with your child at home.

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>

Interactive books and reading activities to share with your child.

BBC iplayer - Numberblocks

Making maths easy by showing how it works

BBC iplayer - Alphablocks

Support your child learning phonics skill, the alphabet and reading

www.topmarks.co.uk

Many maths and literacy games

www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies

Lots of games

https://www.ictgames.com/looCoverWriteCheck/LCwC_demo/index.html

Good for spelling high frequency words and tricky words

www.britishcouncil.org/kids-songs-little-kids.htm

Learn English - songs and stories