Learning Planner

Nursery Spring 1 2020



For the love of reading



Children will explore the themes of friendships, feelings and emotions through the story 'Thank you for being my friend' and watching clips from the Toy Story series. The focus will be on the characters in the story, feelings and what makes a good friend?

Marvellous Mathematicians

Comparing quantities
Number recognition
Counting out to a given number of objects.
Shape recognition
Shape properties



Key Vocabulary:

Wrapping, Shook, Scared, Whined, Stuttered, Laughed.

Heap, Monsters, Moon, Hooves, Duck, Morning, Wing, Lamp, Cushion, Wardrobe, Grandfather Clock, Dressing Gown.

Dark, Light, Friendship.

In this unit the children will be introduced to the topic of toys, discovering how toys operate, what makes each toy different.

Children will explore different materials using their senses, categorizing the materials by their texture and their characteristics eg if they float or sink.

Children will attempt to design and make their own toys which will be displayed in the Nursery role play area of Andy's bedroom from the Toy Story films.

Cross Curricular links:

PSE - Friendships, feelings and emotions through circle time activities (friendship webs) and sharing stories.

Physical – Looking at how toys operate. Experimenting with moving freely with confidence and pleasure in a range of ways . Beginning to move rhythmically through dance and movement to music.

Communication– Following instructions and responding to a variety questions. (who, what, where, when, how and why). Recognising similarities and differences between people, through exploring characters from the story and what makes them unique.