English Focus: Healthy Me

In English, we will be reading a range of fiction and non-fiction books about 'Healthy Me'. Some books we will be reading: "Oliver's Vegetables", "Handa's Surprise", "Going to the doctor/dentist". We will be focusing on listening and being able to retell stories whilst building the children's confidence and love for books. Phonics – Phase 2

We have now started Phonics in small groups. Please always practice the children's sounds and practice blending and segmenting. For example, there's a d-o-g, dog! Every Friday, the children will be given some phonics revision which they can do over the weekend if they want to!

Please ensure you are doing lots of reading with your child and encouraging them to practise some simple reading by themselves!

Religious Education:

This term we will be learning all about Christmas. We will be focusing on the Christian religion and exploring 'incarnation'.

PSHE:

We will be focusing on 'Celebrating Differences'.

The children will talk about different families, what makes them special and what they are good at.

Topic-based learning / Understanding the World

The topic we will be learning is about 'Healthy Me'. We will be exploring healthy foods, how to stay healthy through exercise and through a balanced diet and who can help us to stay healthy (doctors and dentists). Parents, if you could continue these conversations at home and talk to your children about trying new foods and being thankful for those who help us.

Maths Focus:

Composition of 1-5

We will be looking at the composition of numbers 1-5 using the partwhole model to explore that numbers are made up of 2 or more smaller numbers to make a whole.

One more and one less

We will continue to count, subitise and compare numbers as they explore one more and one less. We will use five frames to represent numbers and to predict how many there will be if we add or take one away.

<u>Shapes</u>

We will be looking at different shapes and their properties, combining and manipulating them to explore further.

Parents please ensure you help your child practise their maths daily by practicing some of the things above. The children can do shape hunts at home and start exploring how different numbers are made.

Computing:

We will be using Purple Mash to explore the topic of 'Healthy Me'. We will use Purple Mash to draw our own fruits and vegetables, doctors etcetera and to play games related to our topic.

Music:

The class will begin drumming with Mr. Michael in the hall once a week. They will be doing simple beats and trying to follow a simple rhythm! We also incorporate lots of music and singing into our carpet sessions too.

Physical Education (PE)

Every day our Early Years children are encouraged to move around in our outdoor space, balancing, climbing, jumping and using our balance bars, bikes and tricycles.