Curriculum News

TOPIC - Toys

Year One Autumn Term

Literacy
We will focus heavily this term on reinforcing initial sounds, both recognising and recording the letters correctly. We will continue learning high frequency words. Our fiction work will be focusing on traditional and fairy stories. We will explore the texts through a range of activities including role play. Through non-fiction texts we will learn about labels, lists and captions.

Numeracy
We will be revising recognising and writing numbers to 20 then will identify numbers which are more or less than a given number and will learn to count on from a given number. We will learn how to use a number line to work out a variety of different calculations. We will be comparing and measuring lengths and heights, using non standard measures. Finally we will be learning days of the week, seasons and months of the year.

R.E.
We will learn about books that are special to people of different religious faiths. This will include how they are cared for and the stories that are found in them.

P.E.
In Dance we will be learning a Magic Toys Dance.
In Games we will be learning to move fluently and change the direction and speed of our movements.
In Gym we will be learning to explore ways of travelling safely in a space.

Music
We will be learning about pulse, rhythm and pitch and the difference between them,
We will create simple high and low patterns using voices and instruments.

D.T.
We will be learning about wind up mechanisms. We will make an Incey Wincey spider and make him climb up and down a water spout.

ICT
We will be developing mouse control to select and drag objects and tools as well as using simple painting packages. We will learn to save to a named file and further develop printing skills. After half term we will use a graphing package to represent information in the form of graphs and pictograms.

Art
We will be looking at sculpture and investigating different materials and using different materials in three-dimensional forms.

PSHCE
We will be looking at feelings and relationships and learning about the similarities and differences between us.

Science
We begin this half term by looking at forces, what is a push & pull and will describe how toys work by pushing and pulling. After half term we will be sorting and using materials. We identify a range of common materials and their properties as well as testing for magnetic and waterproof materials.

Geography
We will be learning about Barnaby Bear who travels to different places in England and abroad. We will begin to identify places on maps, look at features of different places and identify types of transport for getting to different places.

Ways to help
Reading every night, reinforcement of alphabet, sound work and number recognition to 20. Help to learn any words that are sent home. Encourage children to talk to grandparents about toys they played with. Please collect a kitchen roll tube for DT and keep any postcards from around the world.

History
We will be learning about toys from the past and identify some differences between old and new toys.