6LS Curriculum Newsletter Autumn Term 2020



Welcoming Teamwork Friendship Trust Independence Fun!

Topic:

New Adventures

This term, our school focus is on the 'Recovery Curriculum', as we welcome our children back to school and help them to settle in to their familiar routines and learning.

We will focus on pupils' wellbeing with lots of different activities in class groups, which will be all about learning whilst also having fun!

EHCP Targets

All of our pupils will continue to be working towards the targets in their EHC Plans.

The activities we do in class will all focus on different aspects of these targets, which include:

Communication and Interaction

Cognition and Learning

Sensory and Physical Skills

Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs

How is my child's progress being recorded?

Each pupil works towards their individual targets, which are assessed on a weekly basis and recorded using the SOLAR framework, which includes video and photographic evidence. Their overall progress is measured using the 'Routes for Learning' assessment framework.

Recovery English

We will revisit, practice and refresh our knowledge of sounds and reading through practical games. We will support pupils to engage with writing and handwriting through stories they are familiar with.

We will be exploring adventure stories such as: 'The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe' and 'Mary Poppins'.

Pupils will also explore stories through drama and role play.

Recovery Maths

We will revisit, practice and refresh our knowledge of numbers and counting. Pupils will become confident at using number lines to solve practical addition and subtraction problems.

Pupils will also explore measurement and capacity through practical everyday activities that have meaning to them.

Pupils will learn how to play group games so that they can work collaboratively to solve problems.

Mental Health and Well Being

Pupils will have time to settle back into the routine of their new class. They will have opportunities to renew old friendships and make new ones.

Pupils will be given opportunities throughout the day to talk about or work out their worries about coming back to school through creative activities such as circle time, completing happiness and worry boxes and Well Being Journals.

We want our pupils to feel relaxed, safe and happy.

Creative Arts

Pupils will be exploring our topic 'New Adventures' through painting and drawing. They will also be given the opportunity to design and make a cloth bag that they will decorate in time for Christmas to sell as gifts.

Pupils will explore pitch and rhythm through music and will learn to work with a partner and small group to produce their own compositions.

Story telling will be explored through drama and pupils will be encouraged to develop their imaginative skills.

Physical Well Being

Through PE we will be developing pupils' fundamental sports skills so that they will learn to link skills to form movement and patterns.

Pupils will start off their day with exercise and they will also have opportunities to explore movement through dance, in their PE lessons.

Pupils will participate in games where they will develop simple tactics for attacking and defending.

Recovery Science

Our pupils will be following the Crest Award Star Challenge, where they will be completing 8 scientific challenges through the term. When they have completed all challenges they will receive a CREST Star certificate and badge. The challenges will include, animal adventures, brilliant bubbles, sniffly sneezes and useless umbrellas.

These challenges will allow our pupils to develop their scientific skills of investigation, decision making and analysis.

<u>Humanities</u>

We will be exploring our pupils' experiences of lockdown in a sensitive way through sharing their stories and lockdown boxes that they bring into school.

We will explore different cultures through music and story.

We will also be learning about the Roman Empire and finding out facts about Julius Caesar.