



Physical Development

The children will be experiencing physical activity throughout the week through our movement and gross motor sessions. We are very lucky to have our own forest school at Braunstone. If you can, please bring a pair of wellies into school with your child.

Learning together at home:

Please encourage your child to put on their own coat and have a go with the zip. Playdough or playing with pasta at home can support children's hand control in preparation for holding a pencil. Keep reading the children's library books to them everyday.

Maths

In Maths, we will be singing maths related songs, counting and reciting numbers past 5. We will be developing fast recognition of up to 3 objects and linking numerals with amounts up to 5.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

We are understanding how people have different families and how different people live. We will talk about our own home lives and compare this to others. We will also look at the weather in different parts of our world and the habitats of different animals living there.

Phonics

In Phonics we will be developing our phonic awareness by spotting and suggesting rhymes, recognising words with the same initial sound by finding objects beginning with the same initial sound or playing games such as 'I Spy'. We will also meet 'Fred the frog' a character who can only say words by breaking down the sounds e.g. c-a-t. Fred will help the children to blend the sounds together which is an important stage when learning phonics.

Our Topic:

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Communication and Language

We will be learning lots of new words and their meanings through stories and conversations. Concept Cat will teach us the meanings of the words behind, top, bottom, empty, full, more and lots and we will be using these words within our environment. Language development and interactions is the basis of our whole curriculum in FS1.

Books we will be reading this half term:

Focus stories: Lost and Found, Rumble in the Jungle and Duck in the Truck. This half-term we will be listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens.

We love to read at school and will continue to develop a love of reading in FS1!

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

If anyone would be happy with us having family photos in our environment, please bring them in. We would love to develop our room into a family environment. We will be developing our understanding of our relationships with everyone we know.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be exploring a variety of artistic effects to express our ideas and feelings. We will be engaging in making music and dance.