

Little London Community Primary School

Spring 1 2024 Reception

Specific Area: Literacy

This term we will be reading the story of Stick Man by Julia Donaldson and finding out who helps Stick Man on his journey back to the family tree. This will then lead into our non-fiction topic about People who help us and Antarctica where we will learn lots of facts and information about Emperor penguins.

We will be using the skills we have learnt in phonics to listen for sounds in words and to write labels, captions and short sentences

Specific Area: Mathematics

In Maths, we will continue to focus on numbers to 5. The children will become more confident to explore how each number is made up of smaller numbers and look at different ways to represent them.

Using songs and games, we will learn about the importance of zero and explore how the amount left gets smaller when objects are taken away.

Prime Area: Communication and Language

We will continue to develop our speaking skills through communicating every day and storytelling. We are practising speaking in full sentences and using past and present tenses.

Phonics

This term, the children continue to follow the Read, Write, Inc scheme. As well as learning new sounds, they will recap the sounds they have already learnt to become confident when blending them together to read words.

Specific Area: Understanding the World

Through our exploration of Antarctica and the natural world, we will be exploring different habitats and learning about the animals that live there.

We will be deciding on the best clothes to wear when it's cold and looking for signs of winter, such as ice and snow in our outside area.

As we read the story of Stick Man and learn about people who help us, we look forward to meeting people from our local community and learn about the jobs that they do.

People who help us



Areas of Provision

Each day, the children will continue to access the areas of provision to develop their independent learning. Carefully thought out and enhanced play opportunities will enable them to embed and develop the skills they have learnt when working with adults. This will include opportunities for small world and role play, where the children can retell familiar stories, becoming the different characters and creating their own narratives.

Using the story of Stick Man and learning about Antarctica will help the children to think about different settings in stories and how they can use these in their own stories, art work and play.

Prime Area: Physical Development

This term, the children will continue to develop their gross motor skills through our PE sessions and outdoor play. They will use their communication and language skills to learn different games and follow the rules of them within PE sessions.

Colder months are a great time to develop gross and fine motor skills through getting coats on and zipping them up.

Don't forget to practise this at home please!
Each week, we will be working on our fine motor skills through a range of different activities.

Prime Area: Personal, Social and Emotional

This term, we will show pride in our achievements and continue to become more independent in our learning and managing our own needs.

Through talk and our understanding of the school's Golden Rules, we will learn to explain right from wrong and try to behave accordingly.

We will look for people being kind to others and seek to share activities and experiences.

Specific Area: Expressive Arts and Design

This term, we will be using drama to explore how penguins move, what it feels like to 'huddle' and how to take care of an egg in cold weather.

We will continue to use a range of different media to express our individuality, from dressing up to painting.