

Welcome Back to Apple Class!



WHAT'S ON

Autumn 1
2024

Welcome back and Hello to our new families! We hope that you all had a lovely summer. We would like to welcome our new TA Kerrie, who is very happy to be joining our team. Our topic this term is 'Carnival!' We are going to have so much fun with this topic and have lots of sensory 'Carnival' themed activities planned including Art, Cookery, Sensory Stories, Drama and collaborating with Redwood and Rowan.

Lets learn about... **Drama Therapy!**

You may have noticed that Drama therapy has been added to our class timetable and may have questions surrounding what this might look like with your young person.

In our drama therapy sessions, we allow our learners to become participants in the drama unfolding before them. Each session is different, as it is directed by the interactions and responses given by our learners. The sessions use musical ambience and props to set a scene, and the journey of each interaction is fully reliant on the response given by our students!

We begin with waking up the body ready for drama with a fun familiar piece of music and then staff begin to utilise non-verbal sounds and dramatized onomatopoeic responses to embed intensive interaction and fun into the sessions.

Try to have a go choosing a fun piece of music, a random household item, and seeing what it can turn into with the support of your young person without using spoken word- you'll find it bonkers what a wooden spoon can become if you give it the space to be something different!



Half Term: Mon 28th October - Friday 1st November

Parent Engagement Session - Friday 27th September

Apple Class Team



Class Fund

Thank you to those who contribute £5 to our half termly class fund, this supports us in our *Cooking/ Design and Technology* and *Sensory Exploration* lessons. If you are able to contribute please do so through Parent Pay.

Swimming

Please ensure that your child has a swim kit in school on their swimming day or a spare kit that can be kept at school. Our swim day is Tuesday.

Outdoor Learning

We enjoy spending time learning outside. Please ensure ensure that your child is ready for all weathers!

Personal Learning Goals (PLGs)

At the start of each term you will receive your child's updated PLGs. Please check these and return a signed copy to their class teacher. This may be completed during EHCP Reviews or Parent Partnership Conversations.

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