

Celebrating Juniper class!



Term:

Autumn 2

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely half term break.

In Juniper class, we are continuing to work on the topic of 'Look at Me. We have enjoyed exploring our new environment with new and familiar friends and we would love to share with you some of the amazing work we did before half term.



Through verbalising or using choice boards, we are engaging with preferred activities throughout the day. Some of us are exploring sequencing numerals.

We have been building on anticipation and responses through cause and effect play.



We have been promoting independence in our daily routines.

Communication and Language- We have been working on the use of symbols with objects of reference to support understanding. We are beginning to use personalised choice boards for accessing preferred activities which regulate us.

Phonics and Love of Reading - We have been focusing on developing our understanding of differentiating different environmental sounds, instrumental sounds and body percussion. We have really enjoyed We're Going on a Bear Hunt with big actions and noises.

Maths — We have been focusing on developing our emptying and filling skills which will enable us to focus on 1:1 correspondence this half term with counting to 3 and beyond where appropriate.

Personal, social and emotional development—We have been mirroring peers when playing alongside to build positive relationships through shared interests. We have been promoting independent self-help skills through mealtimes and personal care routines.



Developing our skills (Physical Development)

During Autumn term 1, we have been continuing swimming (Year 1) and working on our gross motor skills, particularly our core to promote floating.

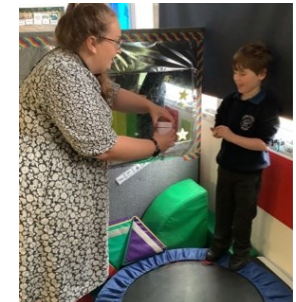


We have been exploring multi-sensory trays to promote the use of single finger to point or whole hand where necessary.

Community involvement/British Values

We enjoyed a visit from the local firefighters. Juniper class loved exploring the fire engine.

We have been building trusting relationships with all of the staff in Juniper this term. This has enabled us to engage with lots of new or non-preferred activities.



WOW moments:

Juniper class have settled into their new environment really well and have enjoyed meeting new friends who share similar and different interests. This has increased communication and playful interactions among learners.

Reminders!

Sensory play and cooking experiences:

Please donate via Parent Pay if you are able to to enable us to engage with more sensory play and cooking opportunities. Suggested donation: £5



Upcoming events!

Monday 11th November- Remembrance Day
Friday 15th November - Children in Need
W/B 18th November - Anti Bullying Week
EYFS Stay and Play and Christmas fair (Dates TBC)



The class team..

Juniper class is made up of teacher; Victoria, teaching assistants; Zoe, Rachel and Soraia and midday supervisor Teesh. We also have Becky covering Victoria's PPA time in the week.

You may see our names in the diary from time to time!

Next steps in our learning...

This half term we will be continuing to work on becoming familiar with our routines in Juniper class and expectations.

In Phonics, we will continue to focus on environmental, instrumental and body percussion sounds. We will have opportunities to explore a sound of the week through play.

Juniper will continue to work on their listening and attention through some structured adult-led opportunities and through personalised activities within the provision.

Don't forget...

PE - is on a Friday morning - please send in a PE kit.

Swimming - is on Tuesdays and Thursday, please send in a swimming kit on a Monday. EYFS will swim from January.

Outdoor learning/break times—please ensure your child has a coat as the weather changes

Snacks- Please remember to provide your child with snacks daily or on a Monday for the week.

Home communication book - Please check these daily for any daily updates/reminders.



For updates, information and useful contacts, please check our school website and Facebook pages.

We look forward to seeing you at our Stay and Play session this term! Look out for more information to follow.