

Celebrating Juniper Class



Term:

Autumn 2

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

In Juniper class, last term we learnt about the topic 'Senses' and this half term we are learning about the topic 'Food'. So far, the learners have enjoyed exploring moving in different ways, joining in with group time and learning about their senses. We would love to share with you some of the amazing work we did before half term.

In Juniper Class, we have been practising our writing skills through sensory activities and using writing tools.



We have been using communication tools and sensory resources to explore different emotions.

We have been enjoying number rhymes through Attention Autism sessions, building on our recognition of numerals.



PD - Juniper have been working on developing more control over their mark making using various tools, as well as using scissors safely to cut playdough and paper. In PE, we have been engaging in turn-taking games and exploring ways to move our bodies to different music.

CLL - We have been working on promoting independence with total communication approaches to request wants, needs and refusals. We have been enjoying our class story through colourful semantics, as well as developing a love of reading with preferred stories in the book corner.

PSED—We have been promoting independent self-help skills through mealtimes and personal care routines. Juniper have been working on sharing preferred resources with peers and mirroring actions. We have been exploring different emotions and gathering in regular group sessions through call and response, as well as within familiar routines.

Maths — We have been working on comparing sizes, repeating patterns and counting to 5 and beyond. We have been recognising patterns using numicon tiles when creating number sequences. We have been creating tall towers and small towers to compare sizes in outdoor play.

Developing our skills

During Autumn 1, we have worked hard to practise self-help skills within our classroom routine.



We have been applying the core word through play-based opportunities, as well as within everyday routines.



Community involvement/British Values

We been working on our turn taking skills and sharing resources with our peers.



In Juniper class, we are building on resilience to keep working on our personal learning goals.

WOW moments:

Juniper class settled really well during the last half term, adapting to new environments and routines. Well done to our new starters who adapted to this well!

WOW!

Reminders!



Upcoming events!

14 November—Photo Day

3 December— EYFS Bakeoff

5 December—Christmas Fayre (parents welcome)

The class team..

Juniper class is made up of teacher; Victoria, teaching assistants; Soraia, Steph, Fiona, Leanne, and midday supervisor, Donna. We also have Rebecca covering Victoria's PPA time every other week on a Friday.

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 embedding routines and expectations as well as promoting independence in all areas of learning and self-help skills.

In Phonics, we will focus on the environmental sounds through a multi-sensory approach.

Juniper class will continue to work on their recognition of numbers, counting skills, shapes and space.

We will continue with our core word of the week group sessions, promoting communication skills and exposure to key vocabulary and signs.

We are pushing to promote learning in areas outside the classroom linked to areas such as communication, PSED and shared social experiences with adults and peers.

Don't forget...

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

Swimming - is on Thursdays please ensure swimming kit is sent in on Monday.

Outdoor learning/break times—please ensure your child has wellies, wet-play kits and /or a rain jacket as we will be accessing outdoor play regardless of weather. These can stay at school to ease of access.

Snacks- Please remember to provide your child with snacks daily as we have 2 snack times within the day.

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



Physical Education

We have enjoyed our time in the hall for PE and have been practising our ball skills through kicking, catching and throwing.

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