Welcome Back to Apple Class!

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Spring 1 2023

Happy New Year to everyone! We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas. Our new topic is 'Jamaica' which is going to be a fantastic sensory topic. In our Sensory Story we will be a having sensory trip to Jamaica where we will explore Reggae music and steel drums, flags and colours, chocolate and coffee, sand and beaches! In Sensory Art we will make exotic fruit smoothies and explore Jamaican spices.

Cognition

Our focus will be developing anticipation and exploring cause and effect through switch work and exploring noise making and vibrating props. We have ordered some lovely new switch activated toys to explore!

Communication

Bucket Time and our 'Jamaica' Sensory Story provide opportunities to use our senses to explore a variety of props as well as showing responses, developing preferences, anticipating, choice making and requesting 'more'.

SEMH

We will be focussing on relationships this term and will be engaging in activities which help us build meaningful relationships. Intensive Interaction and HOP (Hanging Out Programme) are great ways to do this.

Sensory Physical

To continue to work towards our therapy targets, we will use personal physiotherapy equipment in class daily. We will also be practising our focussed looking, transferring our gaze and tracking using visually stimulating props.

<u>RE</u> Our RE topic this term is 'Signs and Symbols' We will be exploring 'On Body' signs and Sensory Cues. We will be looking at colours and the Jamaican Flag.

<u>RSE</u> Apple Class will continue to work on personal targets as part of our daily routines and through sessions such as Positive Touch and Massage.



Friday 27th January is a training day and so there will be no school for the learners. February Half Term is Monday 13th February- Friday 17th February.

Apple Class Team



Class Fund

Thank you to those who contribute 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.

Outdoor Learning

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

Individual Education Plans (IEPs)

At the start of each term you will receive your child's updated IEPs. Please check these and return a signed copy to their class teacher.

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