



Squirrel Class



Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome to the first newsletter from Squirrel Class, we will be using this to let you know what is happening in class on a regular basis. In our class team are Mr. Gregg (teacher), Miss Connigale, Mrs Cook and Mrs Newton. N.B. Mrs Dalloway will cover for Mrs Cook on Mondays). The children will work with different members of staff throughout each day. Our aim for the children throughout this year is to make them into independent, resilient and confident learners.

Our learning for this half term is centred on the theme of 'Down Memory Lane', we will be looking at toys and how they have changed over time. To enhance the children's learning we will be having a Victorian day in class and visiting the Legoland Discovery Centre in Birmingham. Our P.E. lessons will be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and we will have Forest School on Friday.

History

We will be finding out who Queen Victoria was and when she lived. In addition we will study how people lived in those times and compare them to our lives. We will look at how toys have changed since then.

Science

In our science work we will focus on the changes that have happened to us in our lives, and think about how humans change in their needs and wants

English

We will be looking at stories from Julia Donaldson and extending and re-writing these as well as finding out about her. We will be writing and performing rhyming couplets.

Creative curriculum

We are looking at the work and style of L.S. Lowry, and we will be attempting to recreate images in his style using a wide range of media. We will create images using computer software to explore symmetry and repeating patterns. In DT we will be making different puppets.

Home Learning Possibilities

Finding images of and information about different old toys; drawing pictures of them; researching Victorian life, especially for children; discovering and enjoying more Julia Donaldson stories. Any work they produce at home will be shared and celebrated!