The Foundation Stage

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Seven Areas of Learning

Communication and Language

Physical Development

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Literacy

Mathematics

Understanding the World

Expressive Arts and Design

Topics

- Autumn 1: Getting to know you and Autumn
- Autumn 2: Looking at the Past and Christmas
- Spring 1: Winter and People Who Help Us
- Spring 2: Traditional Tales, Book Week and Easter
- Summer 1: The Lost World
- Summer 2: Mighty Minibeast

Communication and Language

Two areas:

- Listening, attention and understanding.
- Speaking.
- Activities that promote these areas are; circle time, snack time, roleplay and construction.

Personal, Social, Emotional Development





Three areas:

- Self-regulation
- Managing self
- Building relationships
- We follow the SCARF PSHE scheme and teach this once a week.

Growth Mindset

DON'T GIVE PRAISE FOR INTELLIGENCE

You're so clever at... x

You're so intelligent at... x

You're lucky you're gifted at ... and it's easy for you to.. x

Don't worry if you didn't get a great result, did you get a better score than x child? x

Ah......you made a mistake, how many times have we told you to get it right first time? x

GIVE PRAISE FOR EFFORT

I've noticed the effort you're putting into... \int

All of your hard work and practice is resulting in progress in.... √

I'm proud of how much effort you have put in to your learning... \int

How do you feel about not getting the result you wanted first time? Are you clear on what you need to do to improve your learning next time?

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You made a mistake, that's O.K., we all make mistakes when we're learning something new. What can you learn from it, to improve next time?

DEVELOPING A GROWTH MINDSET

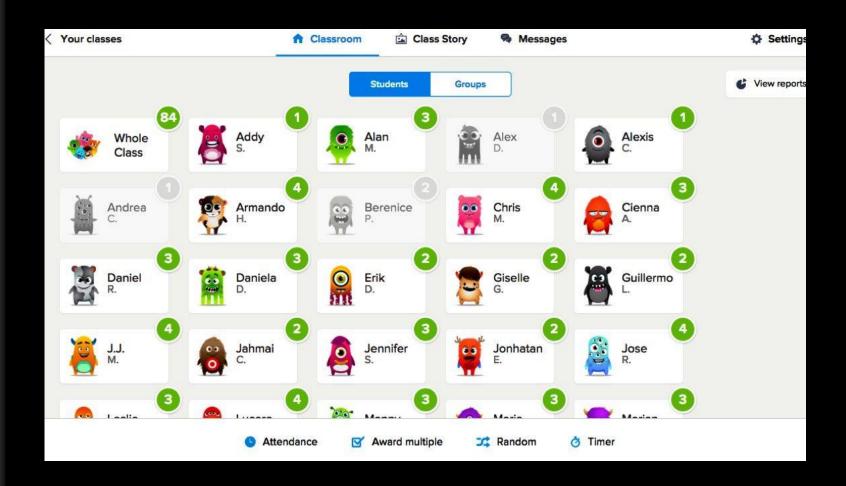
| TRY THINKING | |
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| What am I missing? | |
| I'll use a different strategy | |
| Is this really my best work? | |
| I can always improve | |
| This may take some time | |
| Mistakes help me to learn | |
| I am going to train my brain | |
| I will learn how to do this | |
| There's always Plan B | |
| I will learn from them | |
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Growth Mindset

How can you create a Growth Mindset at home?

- Recognise fixed mindset thinking in yourself and talk yourself into a growth mindset.
- Be aware of your own fixed mindset statements like, "I was never good at Maths either."
- Be careful about comparing your children to siblings or peers.

Dojo Rewards



Literacy



- Three areas; Comprehension, word reading and writing.
- We teach writing through Drawing Club which uses lots of rich vocabulary and imagination.

Early Writing

| 1. Pictures | 2. Random Scribbling | Scribble Writing (Written in linear fashion to mimic real writing.) | 4. Symbols That Represent Letters |
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| A E P O P O S O S O S O S O S O S O S O S O | ATPLIEDI ATPLED ATPLED APTLED APTLED 6. Letter Strings (Progresses from left to right and top to bottom when the child reads' his writing) | AEB ZT WD) I FH) IP 7. Letter Groups (The groups have spaces in between to resemble words.) | the I is see lites 12345 and MY 8. Environmental Print (Child copies print found in the room, often without knowing what the words are.) |
| Thehcanr (The horse can run.) | We will to the S (We went to the store.) | To daye I wot to play with the White board and the Shapes and I won to play with My feh (Today I won't a play with the look and from thoses, and I won't a play with a privately I won't a play with a privately in the shapes, and I won't a play with any friend.) | One day I saw my Frid it was Israel and Antonio and Thay sot lost I fad Thim. The end (One day I see my forms. It was Israel show you they got twe. I found them The end) |
| Beginning Sounds (Child begins to write simple sentences using sight words and just the beginning sounds of words.) | Early Inventive Spelling (Includes the same elements as the previous level, but with more consonant sounds represented and spaces between words.) | Inventive Spelling (Has the same elements as the previous level, but with more sounds per word writ- ten, including the vowels. Some conventional spelling patterns may appear.) | 12. Transitional Writing (Includes all of the previous elements, plus some real spellings of words with silent letters and other spelling patterns. Punctuation is beginning to appear). |

Phonics

- · We follow Supersonic Phonic Friends.
- Children will be learning two sounds a week and these sounds will then be put in their fluffy word boxes.
 We will tick these once the children have learnt the sounds.
- Videos and newsletters explaining the sounds will be in the weekly mailing.
- Children will start will a wordless book until they confidently know the first four sounds SATP and they are able to blend with these sounds (sat).
- We have sent the sounds home in the pack last week.
 Please look at these with your children.
- Reading underpins every subject in the curriculum so we ask for as much support at home as possible.
 Please read at least three times a week.

Physical Development

Two areas; gross motor skills and fine motor skills.

Mathematics



- Two areas; number and numerical pattern.
- We follow the NCETM Mastering number and Whiterose planning for maths.
- Maths is taught daily through practical activities.
- Large focus on knowing numbers to 10 in detail.
- A number wall is in each class and we focus on one number at a time.

Questions to help with talking about maths

- Why do we...?
- How do you know...?
- How can you be sure...why?
 - What is the same?
 - What is different?
 - What would happen if....?
 - What could it be?
 - What can't it be?
- How could you check your answer?
- How many ways can you show me?
- How might you record that for someone else?
 - What clues are there?
 - What did you do / see in your head?
 - What might be a sensible answer be?
 - What do you already know?
 - Is it true or false?
 - Can you spot the mistake?
 - Are you able to continue the pattern?
 - What comes next?

Understanding the World

Three areas; past and present, people, culture and communities and the natural world.

Expressive Arts and Design

Two areas; creating with materials and being imaginative.

Fab Funky Friday



- These will be every Friday starting from 8th November.
- Children will need to wear old outdoors clothes on these days. NO DRESSES or SKIRTS!
- Children will be outdoors and could be cooking on a fire or exploring the pond area.

School Trips



- Our first school trip is to Milestones in Autumn two. A letter will be sent out with more information.
- In Summer Two our topic is minibeasts and we will be going to QMC for a workshop.
- If you would like to come on our school trips, please get a DBS from the office.
- We also have the following visitors throughout the year: people who help us (Spring 1),
 Openbox (Spring 2) and Dinogirl (Summer 1).

Classroom Visits

- On Wednesday 2nd October at 3.20pm you are invited to come into the classroom with your child so they can give you a tour and show you their drawers, pegs and all the amazing work they have done so far.
- This is not an opportunity to discuss your child with the teacher.

- Once we have started learning sounds in phonics, we will be giving the children a wordless book and reading record in the next couple of weeks.
- We have sent home a home learning pack today (20/9/24).
- Please use the numbers to help your child recognise, order and count out numbers to 20.
- Cutting skills.
- We have also included a phonics sound mat with their name on. Please sit with your child when they practise to ensure that they are starting in the correct place.

THANK YOU!