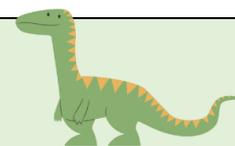


Autumn Curriculum Newsletter

At Martenscroft we are expressive, mindful, nurturing and inquisitive so we can play, learn and grow.



This half term our learning theme is:

Imagine

In each curriculum area we will be:

Holistic Health

(Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Physical Development, Mindfulness, Emotional Literacy, Wellbeing Rights Respecting, Individual Needs)



- Learning how to tell a story whilst keeping active with storytelling Yoga.
- Reading stories which explore different ways to regulate their emotions during Mental Health Week

Home Learning Activity:

- This is a fun activity that you can do at home to practise some nursery rhymes whilst partaking in Yoga
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d85dw-AcAaU&ab_channel=CosmicKidsYoga

Expressive Me

(Communication and Language, Literacy, Languages, Signing & Visuals, Expressive Arts and Design)

- Introducing the Traditional tales, including The Little Red Hen and Jack and the Beanstalk. The children will be learning how to retell the stories and recording them to listen to and share in their Key Groups. We will be encouraging them to act out the stories, playing different characters with props. They will also draw and paint the characters and events in the stories.
- Learning about rhyme and alliteration in Phonics and tuning into initial letter sounds.
- Learning the song 'Old MacDonald Had A Farm and the signs for some of the animals.

Home Learning Activity:

- Can you draw a character that you have read from a book?
- Can you write some letter shapes in your name and begin to say the initial sound?

Global Responsibility

(Eco School, Cultural Diversity, Global Citizenship, Environmental Impact, Community Responsibility, Research Projects)

- Working together to create a dragon for Chinese New Year and use bright, colourful paints and different materials to create the dragon.
- Learning about how we can keep our environment clean and will be doing a spring clean-up in our Outside Area and the local environment.
- Making bird feeders to feed our birds through the winter.

Home Learning Activity:

- Watch the dragon parade and see if you can join in dancing.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bs0GuU0cUtw>

Inventive Ideas

(Maths, Understanding the World, Technology, Engineering, Cooking, Social media)



- Learning how to represent numbers with tallies and using our fingers
- Exploring and making patterns
- Discovering what Winter looks and feels like and doing experiments with water outside when the temperatures drops!
- Reciting numbers to 5/10 and counting objects by touching each one and saying the appropriate number
- We will be celebrating January and February birthdays by making cakes. The children will also be baking gingerbread men

Home Learning Activity:

- Can you help your grown up by counting how many of each Item goes in their basket when you go shopping?

Reminders:

In the morning we start at 9:00am and the door open until 9:15am. Please try to arrive in this time slot. If you are late please inform reception as they will make sure the register is adjusted.

Please label all clothing with your child's name.

Please can you send your child with named wellies for outside play.

Thank you for your support!



Quote of the term:

“What we learn, becomes a part of who we are.”