# Our topic is Giants and Minibeasts!

# We are learning to.....

#### **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

- Know about how to keep healthy
  - sensible amounts of screen time
  - being a safe pedestrian.
- \* Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.
- \* Think about perspectives of others.

Show sensitivity to their own and other's needs.

\* Be respectful.

#### **Understanding the World**

- Life cycle of a plant
- Parts of a plant
- How a plant grows
- What a plant needs to grow.
- Observation, discussion, explanation linked to growing plants.
- Classify plants, trees, colours, leaves etc.
- Making links
- Ask questions / enquire
- Talk about the similarities and differences between things in the past and now.
- Talk about the lives of the people and roles in society.

## **Expressive Arts and Design**

- Use imagination, play, pretend and make stories in play ( based around Jack and the Beanstalk).
- Retell a narrative.
- Take on a role or character (J and BS).
- Represent experiences, stories and what we are learning on our play (linked to growing).
- Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others.
- Move in time with music.
- Painting Explore what happens when we mix colours.
- Design a crown for the king.
- Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills.

This half term we are learning all about how plants grow. Look out in your diary for more info about what we are learning each week.





## **Physical Development**

- Ball skills kicking!
- Groups games
- Athletics

Fine motor

Write correctly formed letters

#### **Exciting Events!**

Look our for:

- Grandparents day
- Toys from the past workshop
- Kings Coronation

Forest School -

Squirrels Wednesday

Hedgehogs - Friday

#### **Communication and Language**

- Develop story and book language; children join in with repetitive parts of the story – Jack and The Beanstalk.
- Retell Jack and the beanstalk.
- What is a character? Who are the characters?
- Where is the setting and what are the events?
- Develop new vocabulary linked to our stories and topic. ( See vocabulary lists) .
- Use narrative language once upon a time, first, next, then after that, finally.
- Develop our own story ideas by changing the characters, setting and events of Jack and the beanstalk.
- Ask questions how, where, what, when, why?

#### Maths

- Recognise a range of maths representations 0-10
- Arrange amounts 0-10 in different ways so that we can see how a number is made.
- Developing talk to explain maths thinking.
- Draw pictures to represent amounts and numbers.
- Begin to solve maths problems using maths manipulatives.
- Mental maths skills :
- Recall 1 more / 1 less -10
- Begin to recall numbers pairs -5.
- Double numbers
- Using comparative language to talk about height and length.
- Make comparisons (length / height).

#### Literacy

- Begin to break the flow of speech into words to say a spoken sentence.
- Blending to read ( words, phrases and sentences).
- Segmenting to spell write letters in sequence to spell ( words and phrases).
- Write letters ( on a line).
- Segment and blend sounds together in simple words and know which letters represent them.
- Write labels, captions, phrases and sentences.
- Read tricky words (phase 3.
- Talk about the characters ,events and setting of the story.
- Talk abut how the characters may feel and why?
- Answer guestions about stories that we have read.
- Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories during role play.
- Talk about what instructions are, begin to think about what they might see in a set of instructions.

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