

## Understanding the World

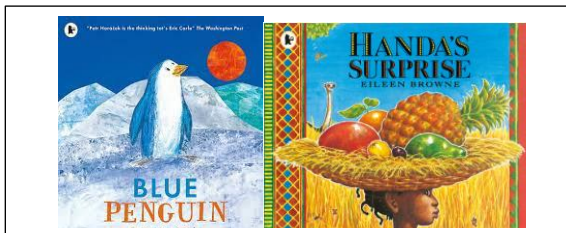
Children will become familiar with a range of maps and be encouraged to draw their own. They will learn that they live in a town and begin to compare this to other types of environments in our capital city, the arctic and Africa. They will enjoy exploring their natural world and learn about some of the changes which occur in autumn.

Children will look at their local environment and begin to compare it to other countries. Children will also explore maps and following directions. They will learn about changes that happen during autumn.

Enquiry Question: What is special about where we live?

## Parent Map FS2

### Megastructures Autumn 1



## Physical Development

Children will now take part in weekly PE lessons. They will be encouraged to dress/undress for PE with some independence. Children will learn to use scissors safely and correctly to cut lines. They will hold a pencil in the tripod grip and begin to copy letters. They will learn what a space is and begin to move with increased control when running in a large space.

## Communication and Language

Children will develop good listening skills using oracy and the listening ladder. Children will know what a good listener looks like and will start to identify when they see their peers doing good listening. Children will be given lots of opportunities to develop conversational skills and learn new vocabulary. They will be able to describe a familiar event, such as a trip they have made to the beach or a local park.

## Maths

Children will learn to sort objects into groups in a range of ways. They will also look at patterns such as spots and stripes and repeating patterns. They will try to recreate some of their own. Children will begin to explore size, weight and capacity and learn the correct vocabulary to use when doing so. During Drawing Club, children will continue to be encouraged to write numbers and begin to realise that number can be seen everywhere, including in pictures.

## Reminder

Children will bring home reading books and a sound book full of their taught sounds and High Frequency Words in September. Reading has huge benefits to children's learning, and we ask if you can try to read with your child at least 3 times per week. Please record this in your child's home reading diary.

## PSED

Children will learn to adjust to new routines, class rules, a new environment and an extended class group. They will develop relationships with new friends and adults and take turns with others during their play. Children will continue to explore their feelings and emotions, gaining a deeper insight to what could make them feel happy, sad, worried or excited.

## Expressive Arts and Design

Children will develop their listening skills as they listen and move to a range of music in weekly music lessons. They will develop their creative designing skills as they are encouraged to create a range of London 'megastructures' using junk modelling resources. This will enable them to develop the ability to join materials together in a range of ways such as tape, glue and split pins.

## Literacy

Children will take part in daily monster phonics lessons where they will begin to learn a large number of sounds and high frequency words. We will focus on the words, I, go, to and the. Can you help your child look for these words when reading or out and about? They will begin to develop inference skills as they learn to tell stories when presented with pictures in a book. Children will also take part in Drawing Club. This will provide them with the opportunity to develop a wide range of vocabulary and expose them to a large number of books.

Please label all your child's belongings including jumpers, bottles, pe kits, shoes, t-shirts, trousers, skirts and dresses.