

Spring 2

'Toys'

Topaz, Diamond and Sapphire Class

This term our topic is 'Toys'. We will be using this topic to learn about toys from the past and present and toys from around the world. We will be comparing toys from the past and present, materials used for toys and comparing toys from different parts of the world. To help us explore this topic we will be reading 'Not a Box', 'Stanley's Stick', 'Old Bear' and 'The Lost Property Office'.



Star Words



materials

past

present

history

continents

culture

country

You can help your child at home by:

Talking about toys you played with when you were a child.

Talking about materials you see around you.

Comparing materials around the home.

Subitising to 10

Practising number bonds to 10.

Reading with your child each day.

In Literacy we will be:

- Retelling stories using story language.
- Writing captions for pictures.
- Writing sentences using capital letters, finger spaces and punctuation.
- Writing non-chronological reports.
- Writing narratives based on familiar texts.
- Using conjunctions and adjectives.
- Continue to use our phonics knowledge to write words.
- Focussing on forming letters correctly.
- Listening to a range of books and discussing what has happened, answering and asking questions about them.

In Maths we will be:

Reception:

- Subitising to 10.
- Using our fingers to represent numbers to 10.
- Learning about composition of numbers to 5.

Year 1:

- subtracting within 20
- Reading and writing numbers to 50
- Place value of numbers up to 50
- Counting in 10s
- Comparing and measuring length, mass and capacity.

Music:

In Reception the children will be attending musicianship lessons every Thursday to learn rhythm and patterns through following a beat.

In Year 1, children have violin lessons each week where they will learn simple rhythm and patterns through songs and learn how to correctly hold and use the violin.

Expressive arts and design Art, Design and Technology:

We will be:

Designing toys with labels.

Using various media to make toys we have designed.

Using textiles to make stuffed animals based on the artist Renate Muller.

Developing our junk modelling skills

Explaining the materials we have used and why.

In Physical Education we will be:

Developing our fine motor through activities that strengthen our hand muscles.

Learning to develop our ball skills by rolling, throwing, catching using different sized balls.

Understanding the World:

In Science will be learning about:

- Different materials
- Properties of materials
- Comparing materials and their uses.

In Geography we will be learning about:

- Continents and countries - where do different toys come from?

In History we will be learning:

- Toys from the past and present
- Comparing toys from the past and present

In R.E we will be learning about:

-Christianity - Jesus and his teachings, Story of Easter

In computing we will be learning:

- Programming
- Algorithms in programming
- Coding

In PSHE

We will be learning about how to be healthy. We will be talking about moving our bodies, eating healthy and why this is important.