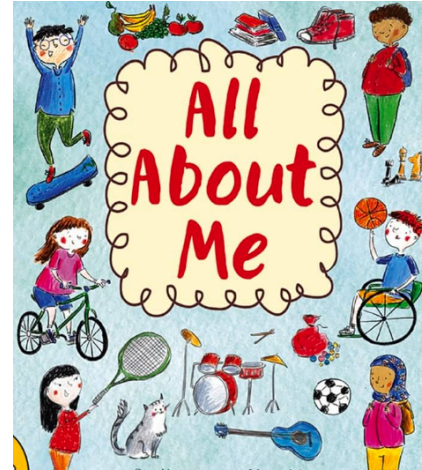


AUTUMN 1
All About Me
Topaz class, Reception

Welcome back to the new school year! We hope you had a lovely summer break. This term our topic is 'All About Me'. Through this topic we will learn about ourselves, what we like and dislike, families, feelings, culture, communities and groups we belong to. We will be thinking about how this makes us similar and different to each other. We will be learning how to respect each other and our differences, learn about the SMART 5 and how these are important in and outside of school. To help us explore this we will be reading 'The Colour Monster', 'The Big Bad Wolf of Jubilee', 'Who do I see in the mirror?' and 'The Family Tree'.



Star Words



Family

Feelings

Culture

Respect

Safety

Similarities

Differences

You can help your child at home by:

Talking about the family and sharing stories.

Talk about feelings and why they are important.

Reading different stories.

Counting objects you see on walks or in the home.

Collecting natural resources eg. Conkers, leaves, sticks and bring them into school.

Reading with your child each day.

Messages for home:

P.E day for Topaz class: **Friday**

Please make sure your child comes to school dressed in P.E kit. P.E kit is black bottoms, white top and trainers.

Home learning will be sent home each week. It will consist of listening to your child read their phonics book and an adult reading your child's chosen Reading for Pleasure Book. We also send home our 'Phonemes of the week' in a purple book for children to practise recognising and forming the letters.

Please make sure your child brings a water bottle to school each day and **labelled with their name.**

As we read x3 a week with each child, children need to have their home learning folder in school everyday.

Please bring a set of spare clothes in your child's bag and make sure all items of **clothing are labelled.**

In Literacy we will be:

Learning new sounds such as, s a t.

Listening to sounds around us.

Writing our names.

Using known sounds to write initial sound and words.

Orally composing sentences.

Writing sentences about ourselves using capital letters and finger spaces.

Developing pencil grip and 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:

Counting up to 5 forwards and backwards.

Counting objects within 5 with 1:1 correspondence.

Subitise up to 5.

Finding more and less than a given number.

Music:

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

Expressive arts and design:

We will be:

Drawing self portraits.

Using different materials and mediums to create artwork.

Explaining the materials we have used and why.

In P.E will be:

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

Developing our gross motor skills by learning to balance, coordinate.

Strengthening our core through climbing, crawling etc.

Use running, jumping, throwing, catching in isolation and in combination.

Understanding the World

We will be learning about people in our families and those who are important to us. We will be celebrating our similarities and differences. We will also observe seasonal changes. Please do help us by collecting natural treasures on your walks such as, conkers and pine cones.

In PSHE

We will be learning to follow classroom expectations.

We will learn to collaborate with our peers.

We will learn to share with others and use our words to share our feelings.