Class: Emerald



Our Learning Newsletter: Summer 1

My Communication	My Cognition
In school we are learning: About the story Treasure Island. Exploring our senses and buried treasure! We will also be looking at symbols and words to accompany the objects that are hidden. Home learning opportunities: Rein act parts of the story through play, e.g. building walls with bricks and knocking them down, playing with toy boats in water. Listen to sea shanties and look at pictures of the sea and desert islands.	In school we are learning: All about shape and problem solving. The children will be exploring different 2D and 3D shapes through songs and through printing in different sensory materials. Children will also be exploring problem games and toys, such as shape sorters, puzzles and cause and effect games on the computer. Home learning opportunities: Explore different shapes at home or out and about, such as cereal boxes, biscuits, road signs.
My Body	My Community
In school we are learning: About fine motor grips, creating art work focusing on pincer or tripod grips. We are also learning New Age Kurling in PE and focusing on grip and release skills and aiming for a target. Home learning opportunities: Explore different fine motor activities at home such as picking up tubes of pasta, coins or pom- poms and putting them into a bottle or pot to make different sound bottles.	In school we are learning: All about our local environment. We will be focusing on our looking and listening skills, exploring different inside and outside environments in school, such as the sensory garden, soft play, sensory room Home learning opportunities: Go on a nature hunt outside or a coulour hunt inside, looking and listening to different things you may find in different environments.
Wy Care and Independence	PSHE
In school we are learning: Ways to increase independence through feeding and drinking, by exploring cutlery, cups, pouring, setting a snack table and making choices. The children will also be continuing to focus on becoming more independent with their personal care needs, where possible. Home learning opportunities:	In school we are learning: All about healthy lifestyle choices, looking at different sports and physio that we can do to keep our bodies healthy. We will also be exploring different ways we can relax through mindfulness activities, massage and meditation. Home learning opportunities:
Encourage exploration of different healthy foods and drinks at home. Explore cutlery, cups, pouring a drink for a family member or get your child to help lay the table for dinner!	Explore different physical games together at home such as bowling and Boccia. Explore listening to calming music and body massage at home. There is a link for some story massage ideas under the useful websites below.



Discovery Days



In our discovery days we will be focussing on humanities, science, RE and creative subjects. For our Humanities this term we are learning about:

Different environments. Do the children know where different places are in their local environment and what kinds of things you would expect to see there, e.g. oven in the kitchen, bath in the bathroom. We will also be looking at going to new environments by looking at holiday destinations and what items we would need to bring to different types of environments.

Home learning opportunities:

Look through holiday photos together or different places you have gone with your child. Talk through the different things that you saw and heard.

Useful Websites/Apps

Some of these may require login information. Please speak to your class teacher or child's key worker for details.

https://www.helpkidzlearn.com/

Sensology and Sensory Packs | Ty Gwyn Special School (tygwynschool.com)

<u>Sensology | The Bridge Special School (thebridgeschool.co.uk)</u>

https://www.storymassage.co.uk/sensory-stories-chidren-pmld/

Class Reminders

Swimming will be on a Monday, there is a rota, but if you have spare kit then it would be great if you could send it in, just in case a spare slot opens up.