



Pendeen Class

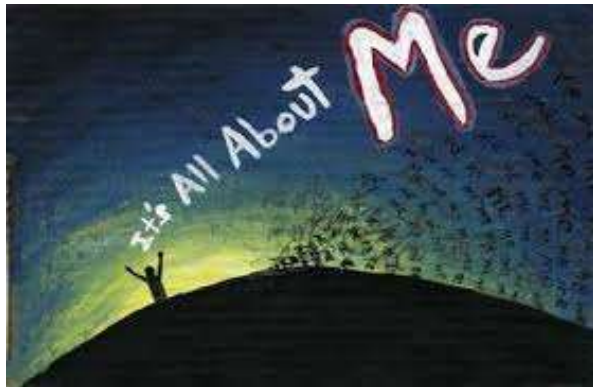
Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn 2020

Our Topic:

This term our topic is 'I am special, I am me'

- We will be learning:
 - I am special
 - My family/I belong
- Similarities & Differences
- Building relationships and learning to play cooperatively
- Looking After Ourselves & Healthy Living



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Staff:

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Homework-Homework to be handed out daily (Mon to Thurs) it will be the phonic sound of the day. This will give the children an opportunity to practice writing the sound they have learnt that day. Please also ensure that your child is reading daily. Reading books will be changed once a week on a Monday, we will send home 3 books at a time. Re-read each book more than once, this will enable your child to familiarise themselves with the story and to confidently re-tell the story to you. The reading books will not have words in at this stage, this is to enable the children to talk about the illustrations. You can help by talking about the characters and setting and encouraging your child to respond to questions and make a narrative to describe the pictures.

Maths:

This term we will learn to:

- Numbers to 10
- Compare groups within 5
- Comparing quantities
- 1 more
- 1 less
- Time
- Counting to 20
- Number songs and nursery rhymes with numbers.

Communication & Language

The children will continue to develop communication skills, how to talk to a partner about their learning and how to listen to others. All the children have a talk partner for the whole class carpet sessions. In class we would like all the children to be engaged with their learning, so we ask questions and instead of children putting their hands up to answer, all the children tell their talk partner the answer. This is a very successful strategy, which develops good communication between each other.

Literacy

The children will listen to stories everyday; this may be in a small group or with the whole class. They will have daily phonic lessons and will start with set one sounds. We use the Read Write Inc. programme. We also practice the letter sounds throughout the day. At this stage we do not teach letter names but we learn the sound phonetically. The children will learn how to form letters and words. Most of their learning in literacy will be linked to the topics where appropriate. You can support your child by listening to them read and encouraging them to write and complete their homework.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

During the first weeks of school we teach the children how to independently use the resources and equipment in class. We encourage the children to choose their own resources and to tidy up after themselves. The children will learn how to respect each other and our school. They will learn to share and to take turns and to assert themselves in a friendly manner to resolve conflict peacefully. They will learn how to work in pairs and groups with other children that we would not normally play with.

Physical Development

The children will have weekly PE lessons. This will enable the children to develop good physical skills in all areas of PE. They will learn the importance of a healthy diet and about the effects, exercise has on their bodies. We will learn plenty of fun action songs.

We would prefer **water only** in the children's drinks bottles. We will top up the bottles if necessary.

Please ensure that your child wears their PE kit on Monday. Keeps wellington boots and a waterproof coat in school from Monday to Friday when the weather is rainy. The children go outside in all weather and will need suitable clothing. Label everything!

Expressive Art & Design

The children will make models using their own ideas and a variety of mediums. We will provide an adult led art sessions that will give the children opportunities to learn new skills. They will have regular forest schools sessions and use the outside kitchen. They will learn songs and dances and how to use musical instruments. The children will express themselves through creative play.

R.E.

We will celebrate birthdays and anniversaries and be learning about the life of Jesus. We will be learning bible stories and relating the stories to our topic where possible. We will have some godly play sessions, which will help the children to learn some of the bible stories. We will learn to trust one another and the treat everyone with compassion and respect. We will share collective worship every day and the children will learn the lord's prayer and a lunch time prayer.