



Me and My Physical Development

During physical development in the Autumn term Class 2 will be focusing on developing their independence. Firstly, pupils will be learning to change for P.E. as independently as possible. This may be taking their clothes off independently, removing one arm from a t-shirt independently or putting their trainers/pumps on independently. Pupils will also be learning to transition to and from the hall independently. Adults will stand at key points through the transition to encourage children in the right direction and will reduce their support as necessary.

In PE lessons pupils will be focusing on developing basic movement skills through a range of physical activities.



Me and My Communication

Class 2 will be learning to develop their communication in a number of ways including through individualised target work, group work and also throughout the day.

Class 2 will have 4 lessons per week which will focus on the skills required for reading, writing, speaking and listening. We will be learning how to take part in a group mark making session; choosing colours to use, holding the implement independently, making marks which correspond to our name and learning how to write the letters of our name.

Class 2 will be learning how to join in with a group big book story. This term, we will be focusing on 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar.' The pupils will be learning to listen to the story, explore sensory elements of the story, join in with the actions of the story, join in with the repetitive lines of the story, identify characters and develop related vocabulary through reading and speaking activities.

We will be learning how to be creative through creating our own sensory stories by choosing items we would like to go in our sensory story and exploring these items. We will also be using a computer program to create our own stories using pictures and symbols. We will be exploring books and story time together and visiting the new library to choose books.

We will also be learning how to communicate throughout the day in areas such as snack time and play time.

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Dear Parents and Carers.

We hope this gives you an overview of what Class 2 will be learning in each curriculum area during the Autumn term. This will hopefully help you to understand what your child is doing at school each day.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any queries. Thank you for your continued support.

Annabel, Sara, Jyothy, Damien and Amy

How you can help at home

Help your child to be as independent as possible. Involve them in choices such as what they want to wear, how they want their hair, what they would like for dinner or for a snack.

Try to wait and see if your child can develop their communication by letting them show you what they need. Sometimes if we give them enough time instead of doing it straight away because we know what they want, they can surprise us!

Involve yourself in our 'Very Hungry Caterpillar' story. We try to do as many activities as we can around the big book of the term. Counting fruit, tasting fruit, crawling on the floor like a caterpillar and of course reading the story together can be a great way to get involved in the story.

We love to talk to the children about things that they have done at the weekend. We understand Sunday evenings can be very busy, but if you can, please let us know what you have done with your child at the weekend and then we can talk to them about it on Monday morning. You can email pictures to me using Annabel.Smith@woodfield.herts.sch.uk

If any new interests arise over time, or your child is enjoying a particular activity at home, let us know! The more personal and fun we can make their learning, the more they will learn.

Don't forget to ask us for anything if you need to.



Me and My World

This term Class 2 will be focusing on the skills needed to visit and explore our local community. We will start by going for walks around the school and the school grounds and then hopefully extend this into our local area so that we can visit parks and the shops to buy some snacks! We will be learning to put our coats on independently, deciding what clothes we may need to wear depending on the weather, walking safely with an adult, walking safely independently and learning routes around school and the community.

During the second half of the term we will be learning about people in our community. We will be having visits from various people who help us in our community such as firemen, animal handlers and their animals. We will be learning about people's roles and responsibilities, exploring their uniforms and equipment and learning to tolerate new people and new experiences. We will be using ICT to access some of this learning and will be developing skills through exploration and enquiry.

Me and My Personal Development

This term we will be joining in with Touch and Taste sessions. The aim of these sessions is to encourage the children to touch, smell, and taste foods that might be unfamiliar to them and to broaden the range of foods they are prepared to try, or at least touch!

We will also be focusing on play. We will be supporting the children to learn to play with toys functionally, play with each other, play independently and interact within a group setting.

The children will be taking part in activities throughout the school week to increase their independence. Every morning the children will be learning to carry their school bags to the pegs and put them onto their own peg. When going out to play we will be encouraging children to be as independent as possible when putting their outdoor clothes on and will repeat this process when they come back in too!

There will also be opportunities to complete jobs in class such as; taking and collecting the register, taking the dinner order to the kitchen, helping with the washing and drying up and setting and cleaning the snack table.

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Me and My Creativity

Class 2 will be learning to take part in group art activities.

We will be learning to choose an implement to paint with, choose the colour we would like to use and to also work as independently as possible.

Class 2 will also be practicing their visual tracking skills during our creativity sessions. We will be learning to use search skills to identify where the paint is coming from. Is it above the head, far away, close or onto their hands?

We will be looking and talking about the marks we have made and celebrate our achievements.

Class 2 will also be learning to tolerate different textures, use their hands and feet to paint and grip different sizes and shapes of implements.

Me and My Maths

This term Class 2 will be learning to develop their number, counting, listening, and exploration skills through a range of maths related activities.

Some children will be developing their number recognition through games such as building the numbered duplo into a tower, focusing on ordering their numbers correctly. Some children will be learning to listen and respond to number songs and rhymes and to 'take one frog' when he jumps into the water!

Some children will be learning to work independently on TEACCH activities which are designed specifically to encourage independence and will focus on number and matching skills.

Some children will be learning to explore playdough. We will be looking at how we hold the playdough, how we can make different shapes, how many pieces we can cut the playdough into and if we explore playdough differently when the shape is changed.

Some children will be learning to use maths in functional ways such as dressing and undressing, matching and pairing, sorting items into categories and dressing dolls. Some children will also be learning to track objects, noticing that they have 'disappeared' and learning to make choices about the objects they would like to explore.