



Me and my Physical Development

Class 3 will be continuing to focus on developing their independence when changing for P.E, transitioning from the classroom to the hall and from the hall to the classroom and also trying to work independently during the lesson. This level of independence will also be a focus during our swimming lessons now we are able to use our fantastic new hydrotherapy pool. Pupils will be encouraged to walk independently to the pool, carry their own kit, anticipate the routine and show their understanding of the routine by completing some steps independently. When in the water we will be working on water confidence and learning to swim with less support from floatation aids.

During the Summer term Class 3 will be focusing on Pentathlon activities and practicing for the Pentathlon event and Sports Day. We will be participating in events such as parachute games, football skills, Boccia, curling and athletics.

Me and my Communication

Class 3 will be learning to develop their individualised communication targets in a variety of ways. We have 4 focused communication lessons during the week which will focus on our big book, speaking, listening, pretend play as well as individualised communication targets.

The big book of the term is 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. Class 3 will be participating in a variety of learning opportunities around this big book. Some pupils will be learning to anticipate sensory stimuli during the story, feel comfortable and independent within a group activity and listen and respond to a story. Other pupils will be learning to predict the next part of the story, remember familiar vocabulary and learn new vocabulary. All pupils will be learning to share stories and experiences together.

Our listening activities this term focus on listening and identifying sounds and developing our skills learnt during the previous term by trying to identify the familiar song that is playing. We will also be focusing on following instructions and identifying an action within a photo. Some of the pupils will be developing their listening skills by learning to choose a song to listen to from an increased number of choices.

Some pupils in Class 3 will be learning to use their individualised communication systems to make choices and requests in order to manage their choosing time independently. Some pupils will be learning to create their own stories. Other pupils will be participating in intensive interaction sessions in order to develop and encourage their communication and interaction.

Class 3 also work on communication targets throughout other areas of the curriculum such as snack time.

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please contact the Class 3 team if you have any queries about the learning over the Summer term.

Thank you for your continued support,

Annabel, Zoey, Ashley and Debbie

How you can help at home

Help your child to transfer their learning from school to home. You could read The Very Hungry Caterpillar, this term's big book, and even taste some of the fruits mentioned in the story! There are lots of art work ideas on Pinterest or Google that would be fun to complete at home. Please send us any examples of art work you have done so that we can celebrate their achievements at school too!

During Maths this term we are focusing on handling and using money. Maybe when you are out at the shops, your child could hand the money over to the cashier and even take the change for you – increasing their confidence with this will enable them to do this more often and more independently.

You could go for a family picnic in the local park, or maybe in your back garden if the weather is good. Why not take your favourite stuffed animals for a teddy bear's picnic? Please send photos if you do go for a picnic so we can use the photos in our picnic lessons as a reminder and something to talk about.

Try reading the home school diary together after school; it's a great way to link their learning in school with their learning at home.



Me and my World

During the Summer term Class 3 will be making the most of the nice weather (hopefully!) and going out for walks in the local community in Leverstock Green. We will be visiting parks, fields, shops and cafes. We will also be going further afield to places we may not have been before including Sainsburys cafe, Gadebridge Park, St Albans lake and possibly an adventure playground.

The pupils will be learning to walk independently in the community, develop their road safety skills, walk with an adult in the community, play and interact with their peers and other people in the community and enjoy spending time in the community.

Me and my Maths

Class 3 will be learning to develop their early maths skills through a number of different activities.

To develop number skills we will be learning to decorate our own biscuits. Pupils will be learning to use early counting skills to count out the correct number of decorations to put on their biscuit, follow the recipe and make sure they are adding the right number of spoons of icing and taking the correct number of biscuits specified on the recipe. Pupils will also be learning to request 'more' to develop early counting skills and will be doing this through their PECS communication system.

Class 3 will be focusing on handling and using money this term. They will be learning to explore money by feeling it, moving it into different containers, smelling it and talking about what they can see. They will also be learning to listen to instructions and putting the money into specific containers by posting it through a slot, unzipping a purse and putting the money in and using poppers on a wallet to make sure the money stays in. Pupils will also be learning to exchange the correct number of coins in return for an item and will be transferring this into their Me and My Personal Development picnic lesson by 'buying' their items during the picnic.

Class 3 will be learning to complete activities based on sorting and matching. Pupils will be learning to complete these activities as independently as possible so that these skills can be transferred into other situations. For example, learning to sort cutlery in class can be transferred into a daily job in the dining room to make sure we are ready for lunch!

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Me and my Personal Development

During the Summer term, some of Class 3 will be learning about people who are special to them. They will be using photos of people at school and people at home to make choices about who is special to them, using the sentence 'XXX is special to me'. We will then be transferring this learning to our Creativity sessions where we will be entering a competition based on people who are special to us!

Pupils in class 3 will also be learning to make, pack and then enjoy their own picnic. We will be learning to make choices through our preferred mode of communication e.g. photos, symbols, PECS or verbally. We will also be learning to make our own snacks and sandwiches using knives to chop, cling film to wrap our sandwiches and independently opening packets. We will then be learning to pack our own picnic basket, checking that we have everything we need and then enjoying a picnic with our friends – learning to sit, learning to interact and learning to share space with other people.

Me and my Creativity

During Me and My Creativity this term, Class 3 will be using our Big book 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' to inspire our art work. We will be using different materials to create sensory art work such as caterpillars, butterflies and the different fruit from the story. We will be learning to make choices, share an activity with other people, desensitise ourselves to different textures and work on creating some sensory decorations for our outside area.

Class 3 will also be entering a competition which involves using paint or coloured pencils to draw a portrait of someone who is special to us. We will be using our learning from Me and My Personal Development to help us with this and look forward to seeing the pieces of art that we create!