Welcome to Sycamore Class! Each term you will receive a topic letter like this that explains what we will be learning and finding out about during our topic. This term our topic is called 'People who help us'. We will be learning about a range of different people in the community who help us and how we can support others. Please feel free to come and see us after school if you have any questions or concerns you would like to discuss with us. ☺

People who help us



Literacy Development

This term we will be focusing of helping the children to correctly read and write their name ensuring that their letters are formed correctly (please keep practising at home too!) The children will be starting their phonic lessons where they will be learning what sounds some letters make and how we use these to make words. This term we will particularly encourage the children to make marks any way they can, as this is the first step in learning to write.

Mathematics Development

In Maths lessons the children will be concentrating on learning numbers 0-10 and matching these numerals to amounts. We will be doing lots of counting and learn new counting songs. We will also be looking at patterns and time, including learning the days of the week.

Expressive Arts & Design

This term we will be developing our painting skills as we have a go at our own portraits. We will also be painting our own homes when discussing our community and the areas we live. The children will explore colour mixing to look at different tones as the leaves begin to change colour on the trees! The class will have access to a variety musical instruments where they will be able to create music together. The creation station will be available for the children to create their own masterpieces!

Physical Development

As well as finding out about how our bodies work, this term we will be thinking about how we keep healthy. We will begin by developing our gross motor skills through activities in classroom. Later in the term the children will begin PE lessons. Here they will learn about how to use the PE hall, how to warm up our bodies and why we cool down after exercise. We will also be looking at our fine motor skills and building up the muscles in our hands to help us with our writing.

Understanding of the world

During this topic we will be focusing on people who help us in our community. We will get to know the different members of staff within the school and their roles. We will also be learning about the key role of the emergency services and who we can depend on if there is an emergency. We will also be talking about where we live, the family that we live with and where we are from.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This term is all about getting to know each other and understanding what is expected at school. The children will learn expectations around behaviour, how to treat others and we will support them in building positive relationships with each other. The children will also develop their self-confidence at school as they are encouraged to try new activities. We will also be learning about Dental hygiene.

Communication & Language Development

School is a new and exciting adventure for children where they will be building relationships with new friends and adults. To support with this, we are dedicating time to support your children in their listening, attention and speaking skills within the classroom. The children will be encouraged to have their say about their likes and dislikes and ask questions of others.

Please ensure your child has their full and labelled PE kit in school once they are attending full time.

Many thanks. Sycamore Class Team ☺