



Class: Hawks

Term: Spring Term- 2024 (January – April)

Explorers & Adventurers

## Communication & Language / English – Language & Communication

This term, the Explorers will use environmental sounds and songs to engage themselves and maintain attention. They will share books with adults, developing their understanding and working on their early comprehension skills. Pupils will also develop speech and language and other communication aids and plans to support their communication.

The adventurers will continue their work and continue to develop around the reading and writing skills in Talk 4 Writing, based around the story 'Night Monkey Day Monkey'. They will adapt this story to write their own versions, using descriptive language.



Read, Write Inc is the scheme of work we will follow to learn our letter sounds and names, word build and support us in learning those 'tricky words'.

## Myself & My Body / Personal Social & Emotional Development

This term we will focus on resisting pressures and making choices. We will respond to dangers, explore what we can do and who we can ask for help. We will also engage with cross-curricular learning and focus on dealing with feelings.

Our job this term will be to support the children to recognise feelings, use self-regulation strategies' and build their understanding of how it feels to be happy, sad, angry or anxious. In PE, we will develop our gross motor and balance skills. We will experience a wealth of enrichment opportunities, such as Everton in the Community, Swimming and Karate.

## My Creativity / Creative Development

This term in Art, we will look at the work of lights and shadows: experimenting with different colours, shades and patterns. Musical instruments will be explored - we will explore loud and quiet sounds whilst learning beyond the classroom. Different rhythms, pitches and patterns will be discovered and investigated whilst playing tuned and untuned percussion instruments. Construction as a skill will be a big focus of our term as we explore wind turbines that make electricity. We will be evaluating the properties of different materials and identifying those best to design, make and evaluate our own wind turbines.

The children have continued to make fantastic progress last term in Hawks class and have built strong relationships with both their peers and staff. This term is dedicated to continuing promoting those strong relationships and working together as a team to ensure each child is stretched to their full potential and has lots of fun along the way – promoting cultural capital, positive experiences and making memories!

## Thinking & Problem Solving / Maths – Thinking, Problem Solving & Finance

In Thinking and Problem Solving, we will experience number and place value whilst using problem solving skills. We will increase our thinking and independence skills whilst learning about measurement, such as money, mass and volume, length and height.

In Maths this term, Adventurers will cover measurement topics including money, mass, capacity, temperature, length and height. We will also develop our problem solving skills whilst learning life skills, such as buying toys at the shop, finding change and using coins to make different amounts of money.

## Thematic Learning:

### My World & My Community / Understanding My World & My Community

In RE, we will explore how we can do our duty to God and explore some of the key elements underpinning our Brookfield's Curriculum; emotions, friendships, belonging and sharing. In Geography, we will dive into exploring geographical features and learn all about India. In History, we will explore historical figures and events from the past that have been important.

## Learning through play:

As part of our topic 'Shining Lights' we will have opportunities to make electric circuits where we can demonstrate and practice our design and technology skills. Opportunities to learn through play will occur in other subjects: choose time, extension activities, PE sessions, learning beyond the classroom (soft play, outside play, tyre park, lightroom).



## Life Skills – Understanding the World I Live In

This term we will learn all about electricity, constructing circuits and exploring conductors and insulators. We will also use our thinking and problem solving skills during 'British Science Week'. We are super Scientists!