

## Medium Term Planning

### Turtles Class - Summer Term 2 2022



#### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our daily circle time sessions provide the opportunity to share thoughts, feelings, experiences. Using our featured story books, we will explore friendship and kindness. We will develop our team-building skills through adult-led activities such as working together to create a bridge over a river. We will continue to build upon listening, sharing and turn-taking skills through games, play based activities and storytelling opportunities. Through topic themed fiction books, such as 'Sharing a Shell', children will consider how the characters in the book are feeling and why.

#### Communication & Language (inc Literacy)

This term, our featured story books include: 'The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch', 'Sharing a Shell', 'The Wizard on the Lizard Flies the Flag'. The children will be encouraged to engage in story sequencing and storytelling, with the support of story sacks and stick puppets. A selection of fiction and non-fiction books will be available in our indoor and outdoor environments. The reading area includes a variety of puppets, characters, and story spoons to compliment the books and encourage story telling. Games and activities to develop speaking and listening, as well as learning new topic-based vocabulary, will take place daily. This term we will also explore some 'Cornish Tales', such as 'Arthur the Little Cornish Dragon', where children will be encouraged to take an active role during the storytelling.

#### Physical Development

This term we will continue to focus on activities that develop gross and fine motor control.

Topic based activities will include moving freely with pleasure and confidence in a range of ways such as creeping, climbing, and stomping.

Children will practise creating objects, such as boats and lighthouses, using a variety of materials. We will be exploring with textures of sand and children will be encouraged to build sand sculptures /sandcastles using a variety of tools. Finger gym activities will include threading, snipping, kneading, and sorting.

#### **Mathematics**

In our maths sessions this term we will be:

Exploring patterns in shells and making repeating patterns with the shells. We will continue with a 'Shape /Number of the Week' and children will be encouraged to find items from the indoor and outdoor environments that are the same shape or number. Exploring capacity using different containers such as measuring jugs and funnels. Investigating and choosing from different shapes of construction materials to build 'Tintagel Bridge'. Sorting items into categories and explaining how they have been sorted and why. Singing counting songs - counting up and down. Practising number recognition and forming our numbers.

# 'Cornwall'

#### Understanding the World

This term the children will be learning about the Cornish landscape - in particular our beautiful Cornish beaches. Through books such as 'The Wizard on the Lizard Flies the Flag', children will learn how to stay safe whilst at the beach: and the role of the lifeguards. We will also learn about sun safety and how to protect ourselves in the sun. Children will be encouraged to consider how to keep our beaches clean and safe, the impact of pollution on the ocean environment.

#### Expressive Arts & Design

Children will choose from a range of materials to make model boats and then test them in the water tray to see if they float or sink! Children will work together to create a class beach scene complete with spectacular starfish! Children will have the opportunity to design and make their own Cornish Piskie using clothes pegs, scraps of fabric and lots of imagination! For music sessions the children will explore different percussion instruments to represent different characters/creatures and consider whether to play them quiet or loud, fast or slow. We will also be learning a sea shanty! Children will also be making a 'seaside in a bottle' and making scones for a Cornish cream tea!