Bay Class Newsletter Spring 1

Adults in Bay Class









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Our theme this half term is TOYS.

In English, we will be basing our work around the film Toy Story and we will be learning about the main characters from the film. We will be exploring how to play with the different characters, matching them to each other and matching them to photographs. We will encourage the children to engage in the story through sensory drama, using lots of different resources for the children to enjoy the story using all 5 senses.

In Maths, we are going to continue to develop our understanding of numbers through songs and rhymes. We will be comparing groups of objects saying which has less or identifying that it is the same, before taking objects away from a set. We will also be looking at tracking objects with our eyes as they move and learning to respond to positional and directional vocabualary such as up/down and in/on.

As a part of the TOYS topic we will be playing with toys from the past as a part of our History topic. This will include teddy bears and spinning tops from the 1950s, Playmobil and Connect 4 from the 70s and Technological toys from the 1980s. The children will compare these toys to the toys they play with now. In Music, we will be looking at different scenes from the film and using untuned instruments to show events and emotions. In DT, we are going to investigate marble runs. We will start by looking at ones that other children have made, then use construction to create our own and finally work as a class to build one together by combining materials. Our Science lessons will not be linked to the topic this term, we will be exploring plants and trees, then growing our own beans from a seed.

Bay Class Reminders-

We will continue to have PE on Friday afternoons, so please send your child's PE kit on Friday for them to change into. Getting changed for PE is an important part of the children's development. Please encourage your child to change independently at home whenever possible.

We also have Forest School on Tuesday afternoons. Please can your child come to school dressed in jogging bottoms and a long-sleeved top? Wellies and waterproofs would be helpful on wet days too. We will keep these in school unless you let us know that you need them at home.

We read with the children in the mornings, check their progress towards their targets and change the children's books. We would appreciate it if the reading books are kept in the children's bags everyday so we can take advantage of any additional reading time when possible.

We are looking forward to a fun half term, full of learning and excitement.

Please contact me, via the office <u>office@rigbyhall.worcs.sch.uk</u>, if you have any questions or queries and they will forward your email to me.

Many thanks,

Clair Staples