Communication and Language

This half-term the children will explore a range of stories about characters that rescue others and save the day. Each week we will explore a range of new vocabulary and talk about the different characters. We will also explore a range of non-fiction texts and children will be encouraged to talk about their new knowledge and vocabulary.

We will continue to have regular circle times to enable children to describe and explain events and experiences in their own lives.

Literacy

This half term, the children will continue to develop their skills and confidence in spelling and writing CVC words using their phonics knowledge such as Fred talk and Fred Fingers.

We will be continuing to develop our understanding of what a sentence is and using this knowledge to build and write simple sentences daily.

The Children will continue to have daily phonics and handwriting sessions.

We will explore a variety of non-fiction books around heroes including Supertato, Supertato and the great Eggscape, Superworm, Superkid and a Super hero like you.

Personal, Social, Emotional

As a class we will continue to use the Colour monster when recognising and talking about our own feelings and those of others.

We will have a special visit from the police this half term and they will talk to the children about how they keep people safe in the community and how they can keep themselves safe.

We will also continue to build our resilience when playing lots of turn taking and track games.



To the Rescue!

Physical Development

We will continue with our daily funky finger activities which will include, threading, sorting, cutting and manipulation of a range of materials. We will also continue with our Doh Disco sessions.

In PE the children will be developing and refining a range of ball skills including: throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming.

The children will also be continuing to develop and refine a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will have lots of opportunities this half term to recreate, explore and adapt our key texts each week using a variety of props, costumes and small world resources.

We will be making a variety of arts and crafts using a range of materials, tools and techniques.

In music the children will be continuing to explore rhythm and pulse in a variety of ways. They will learn familiar nursery rhymes and simple songs. They will also have more opportunities to experiment with different instruments.

Mathematics

The children will continue to develop their subitising skills for numbers within and beyond 5, and increasingly connect quantities to numerals.

They will also be deepening their understanding of the counting sequence by linking cardinality and ordinality through the 'staircase' pattern. We will be ordering numbers and playing lots of track games, using dice this half term.

We will also be continuing to develop our knowledge of 2D and 3D shapes this half term and moving on to to repeating and creating more complex patterns.

Understanding the world

The children will be comparing and contrasting characters from our key stories and linking this to people who do 'heroic' jobs in our community. They will be learning about various job roles and the impact they have on our community and society, as well as the similarities and differences between these jobs now, in the past and around the world.

We will be celebrating British Science week this half term and taking lots of opportunities to look for signs of Spring.

In RE we will be exploring the big question 'Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?'