

Broomhill First School



This half term's topic for the Big Owls is...

Superheroes

Children will face lots of challenges at Superhero School. They will learn about fantasy and real life superheroes!

April - May 2019

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will look at the behaviour of superheroes and use this to develop a "Superhero Code" - a set of class rules to promote kind, helpful and brave behaviours. We will also discuss ways to stay safe in everyday life by introducing real life heroes such as fire fighters, paramedics, police, doctors, soldiers and coast guards.

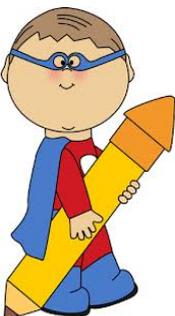


Physical Development

Children will take part in superhero obstacle courses where they can climb, balance and move like a superhero. They will become 'Healthy Heroes' as they learn about healthy lifestyles. We will promote healthy eating and exercise to help them keep fit. Children will also improve fine motor skills with some tricky missions such as manipulating small keys to open top secret boxes. **Please ensure your child has their PE kit on their peg every day. Make sure all kit is labelled with their name (including shoes).**

Literacy, Language & Communication

Children will be presented with lots of missions and instructions to challenge their understanding of language. They will learn new topic related vocabulary and will be encouraged to talk and use it in their role play. Children will make up and describe their own superhero characters. They will retell the story of 'Supertato' and they will use their own ideas to write a superhero adventure with a story structure (beginning, middle and end) and story language. Children will write newspaper articles for our Superhero Newsroom and they will use their speaking skills as they deliver some news bulletins. They will also participate in daily phonics activities to extend their reading and writing.



Mathematics

Children will do lots of number work to crack the superhero codes and they will solve superhero problems involving addition and subtraction. We will also use our superhero powers to reinforce counting in 10s, 5s and 2s. Children will help Spiderman to build a new lair with 3D shapes as they learn the names of shapes and begin to describe their properties. They will also compare the heights and weights of superheroes and their sidekicks.



Remember to use our online Learning Journal "Tapestry" to share your child's learning.



Expressive Arts and Design

Children will extend their knowledge of superheroes as they use creative role play in the Superhero Headquarters, the Superhero Gym or in the Newsroom. They will also act out real life stories as they play as fire fighters, doctors and police. Children will be able to make masks and props to support their role play. They will also make secret invisible messages with wax.

Understanding the World

Along the superhero theme, children will explore their senses and will look at special superhero powers such as the power to freeze objects and use magnets. We will raise awareness of recycling with a superhero called Michael Recycle. Children will also be encouraged to extend their knowledge of real life jobs and scenarios as they learn about fire fighters, paramedics, doctors, police officers and soldiers. We will welcome visitors into school who can share their experiences.



If you, or a family member, are able to help us by coming in to talk about a "hero" occupation, please let us know!



Water Bottles

Send your child's water bottle into school with fresh water each day.

As we are now in the Summer term, please encourage your child to come into school on their own. Say goodbye to them on the playground and encourage them to be very grown up! This will help prepare them for moving into Year 1. I will still be available before and after school if you have anything urgent to tell me.

Superhero stay and play session

Friday 24th May, 9-10am
(the last morning of this half term)
Children can dress as a superhero.

Helping at Home

Rules - Reinforce our "Superhero Code" at home and promote positive behaviours.

Jobs - Talk about different occupations that help people and keep us safe. Spot people in uniforms when you are out and about.

Reading - Please read regularly with your child and note this in their reading record. Expand their reading with other children's books at home. If your child can read their tricky words cards, encourage your child to have a go at writing them too.

Maths - Practise simple addition and subtraction with objects. Can your child write the number sentence? Check their number formation.

Lunch

Due to a government initiative, school lunches for reception children are free this year. Having a school lunch provides excellent learning opportunities for trying new foods, using cutlery and developing table manners. However, should you prefer to provide a healthy packed lunch instead, then please let us know.



If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to come and see me. Thank you for all the help and support you continue to give us. Thank you very much for reading this information letter.

Mrs Haves

