

COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

This half term the children will be continuing to practise communicating 'more', 'finished' 'toilet' and 'good morning' or 'hello' supported by Makaton sign, Widgit symbols and objects of reference. We will be practising using objects, symbols and/ or words to tell adults what we want and need. We will be focusing on following the nurture routine using our visual timeline, objects of reference and/ or 'now and next boards' so we can increase our independence. We will be practising using new signs and single words for concepts related to our topic.



LITERACY & READING

This half term we will be practising our mark making skills in a variety of materials such as flour, lentils, sand, spices and fake snow and glitter. Some of us will be practising horizontal and vertical stripes, circles and zig zags and some of us will be developing our writing of simple key words. We are looking forward to reading books such as 'Handa's Surprise', 'Rumble in the Jungle', 'Ten animals in Antarctica', 'Rainy weather' and 'Rainbows'.

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This half term the children will be continuing to access our daily sensory circuits with a focus on the calming section at the end of the session. We will be continuing to move our bodies to music and stopping when the music stops. We will be developing our ball skills and will be practising throwing and catching and rolling a ball to a partner.

SENSORY



This half term we will be engaging with lots of exciting sensory experiences related to our 'hot and cold countries' theme. We will be exploring sand with our hands and feet and using ice to understand the concept of 'cold'. We will be making our own weather bottles and rain makers to explore the sound rain makes.

We will also take part in sensory cooking activities focusing on 'hot and cold' to fit with our topic of 'hot and cold countries'. We will be using warm and cold ingredients to create delicious recipes and will be starting to look at changing temperatures.. We will also explore lots of colourful fruit through the story of 'Handa's Surprise' and will continue to develop our chopping/ cutting skills.

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EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN

This half term we will be taking part in lots of activities related to our topic 'hot and cold countries, weather and seasons'. We will be creating suns and sunsets using melting wax crayons and by combining warm colours in paint to create sunny skies.

We will be using our fingers to finger paint snowy backgrounds for Antarctic animals and learning to use water and sponges to turn paint into hot African landscapes, dark rainy skies and rainbows. We will add and identify silhouettes for key animals and parts of the landscape.



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MATHS

This half term we will be focusing on sensory counting and cardinality. We will be making and counting snowballs and melting ice to find exciting items related to our topic to count. 'How many colours are in the rainbow?' 'We will also be looking at 3D shapes and developing our knowledge and recognition of colours through our 'rainbows' book and our art topic.

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PSED

This half term the children will be continuing to practise

- Taking a turn in a simple game or activity with adult support
- Working with familiar adults during our attention bucket sessions, at our workstations and during activities in provision
- To flush the toilet and wash our hands more independently

EARLY PLAY

This half term we will be enjoying accessing and making our own weather jars. We will be exploring sand, fake snow and ice to help us understand our 'hot and cold country' topic. We will have lots of rainbow sensory activities and will explore the African desert and cold of Antarctica through small world trays and animals to play with.

