



Curriculum information for Parents and Carers



Giraffes	Step 3	Summer 2 2023
		<p>Topic: Holidays (abroad)</p>
<p>Communication, Language and Literacy</p>	<p>Our sensory story this half term will be linked to our PSED topic, we have written a story looking back at pictures and videos from past years at school and we are recreating some experiences. We also have a Beach holiday story in the white room. Every week our VI learners will practice visual skills at the school VI Party which is held on Fridays in the hall and is an opportunity for our learners with visual impairments to practice their positive looking skills in a fun, VI friendly environment.</p> <p>Funky Fingers We will be making and exploring playdough which is themed from around the world with herbs and spices. We will also have fun holiday-based activities to practice our gross and fine motor skills.</p>	
<p>Personal, Social and Emotional Development and RE</p>	<p>Your child will be working on their PSED skills including their IEP targets across the day. Our focus is Old friends, new friends, moving on. As well as our sensory story we will be having weekly sessions in which we experience going into other classrooms and spending time with other Step 3 children doing play-based activities.</p>	
<p>Physical Development</p>	<p>We continue to start every day with our Ready to Learn programme which involves waking up our bodies and all our senses. Your child will have regular VAMP sessions with the class team working alongside physiotherapy team using standing frames, walkers, bench sitting and a floor programme.</p> <p>PE We have a busy PE schedule this half term. Some of the children will be swimming and we will be cycling at Simply Cycling in Wythenshawe Park.</p>	
<p>Cognition/Mathematics</p>	<p>Space and position- we will be moving our bodies in different directions and making alcohol free mocktails to explore pouring into different containers and putting in ingredients and flourishes. Cognition- we will experience diagonal and horizontal dynamic movements by rubbing in sun cream in different directions and shaking maracas in different directions to The Macarena. We will also be playing with toys that connect and stack in our geography/DT beach sessions.</p>	
<p>Understanding of the World</p>	<p>Science We will be exploring changing materials using food. We will be making scrambled egg recipes from around the world and exploring pasta and noodles as they soften in warm water.</p> <p>Geography Groups of children will be visiting our local area which we will contrast with our DT beach experience.</p>	
<p>Expressive Arts and Design</p>	<p>In DT we are exploring materials. Each week we will make a beach in class for the children to lie on. We will build with the sand as well as with blocks in water and with cans in a coconut shire.</p>	