

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will...

- Discuss what makes a good hero in real life. What can we do to help others? Who helps us at home, at school and in the community?
- Discuss similarities and differences between a hero and a villain. What kind of behaviours do they demonstrate?
- Talk about your best friends in school. What makes them special? Why do you like them?

## Reception Class

### Spring 1 **Little Heroes**



### Understanding the World

We will ...

- Do an experiment looking at melting and freezing. The evil pea will freeze carrot! We will discuss how we can melt the ice so we can free carrot. We will be predicting where in our classroom will melt the ice the quickest and then observe this over time. What does the ice feel like? Why has the water turned to ice? Where will the ice melt the fastest?
- Explore magnetism and identify which objects are magnetic and which are not.
- What food makes us strong and healthy? Write a list and draw different healthy and unhealthy foods.
- Write instructions to make a fruit smoothie or a fruit kebab.
- Visit the local fire station.

### English

We will ...

- Draw and label the heroes and villains from the story we are reading each week.
- Draw our favourite illustration from the book.
- Write simple instructions to make a smoothie for Superman to make him strong.
- Design our own superhero and villain characters.
- Write a list of people who help us in our community. Who are they? What do they do?
- Begin reading and writing simple captions.
- Predict what will happen in a story.

### Key dates for your diary

Visit to the local Fire Station—TBC  
School brakes up for half term on Friday  
17th February 2023

### Physical Development—Gross motor

Our indoor PE lesson is on a **Friday** and our outdoor PE lesson is on a **Monday**.

Please support your child to dress and undress themselves independently.

The focus for our PE lessons will be: **Gymnastics & Fitness**

### Expressive Art and Design

We will ...

- Create Supertato using real potatoes and collage resources.
- Design and create a superhero cape or mask.
- Create a trap to catch the evil pea.

### Communication and Language

We will...

- Continue to develop our listening, attention, understanding and speaking skills
- Answer some 'how' or 'why' questions.
- Listen to others and stories with attention and recall
- Explore new vocabulary linked to our Spring topic

### Physical Development - Fine Motor

We will...

- Practise formation of letters every day—making sure they are written correctly and are sitting on the line.
- Practise writing our name every day.
- Master using scissors.
- Complete fine motor activities everyday to strengthen our hand muscles.

### Maths

We will ...

- Continue to develop counting skills using correct number names up to 10.
- Recognise and order numbers.
- Look at one more and one less.
- Look at simple addition and subtraction up to 5.
- Subitize up to 5.