

Apple Blossom

Autumn Curriculum Newsletter

At Martenscroft we are expressive, mindful, nurturing and inquisitive so we can play, learn and grow.

This half term our learning theme is:

Light and Dark

In each curriculum area we will be learning:

Holistic Health

(Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Physical Development, Mindfulness, Emotional Literacy, Wellbeing Rights Respecting, Individual Needs)

We will be talking about and sharing different emotions and expressing how we feel. The children will be encouraged to talk about their emotions with the help of books and puppets. The children will be helping to bake their own biscuits and create their own firework pattern onto their baked biscuit. Music and movement sessions will continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays; we will be moving our bodies to different types of music.

Home Learning Activity: Move and groove to music with your child at home.

Expressive Me

(Communication and Language, Literacy, Languages, Signing & Visuals, Expressive Arts and Design)



The children will have the opportunity to make and create their own light and dark pictures using a wide range of creative resources. We are going to be talking to the children about colours giving the children the experience to use the coloured creative materials in their own ways. Home Learning Activity: Talk to your child about the different colours that you can see in your environment and have a go at naming some of the colours.

Global Responsibility

(Eco School, Cultural Diversity, Global Citizenship, Environmental Impact, Community Responsibility, Research Projects)

The children will have the opportunity to create a firework picture and place it on the railings at the front of the building to promote Bonfire Safety. The children will be making poppies and learning about the people and animals who help our country. We will be learning about the Christmas story through songs and books.

Home Learning Activity: Ask your child to help to sort out the materials that can be recycled into the brown, blue and green bins.

Inventive Ideas

Maths. Understanding the World, Technology, Engineering, Cooking, Social media)

We will be talking about pattern, using different coloured rice in our sensory tray. Using our fine motor skills, the children will have the opportunity to create their own coloured pattern.

Home Learning Activity: Have a look around your environment and talk about the different patterns you can see.

Reminders: Please send your child in a warm coat and bring a pair of wellington boots for the wet and colder weather.

Please read the parent information board daily.

Please remember to make an appointment for Parents evening with your child's key person.

Quote of the term:

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

– Helen Keller