

# Medium Term Plan – Term 6 – Fun in the Sun!

## **Personal, Social and Emotional development**

For our topic 'Fun in the Sun', children will explore how to stay safe in the sun, including understanding the importance of sun protection, keeping hydrated, and caring for their bodies during warm weather and outdoor play. Through holiday-themed role play and discussion, children will learn about different families, experiences, and holiday destinations, promoting respect, empathy, and an appreciation of diversity. They will also develop their social skills by working cooperatively in group activities such as beach games, transport role play, and summer celebrations. They will learn how to take turns, share, and resolve simple conflicts. Children will be encouraged to talk about their feelings and experiences related to holidays, transitions, and end-of-year change. We will also be encouraging the children to become more independent in preparation for their transition into Year 1.

## **Physical Development**

This term the children will continue their swimming lessons. They will continue gaining confidence in the water and learning how to be safe. They will develop their use of floatation devices and to how to blow bubbles in the water. Children will also be practising for sports day and all the skills required for that - such as running, balancing, bat and ball skills. They will be taught the importance of working together as a team and having a healthy attitude to competitions. Children will continue developing their fine motor skills with daily Funky Fingers sessions, focussing on the use of small tools, scissors and cutlery.

## **Communication and Language**

Children will explore the topic "Fun in the Sun" through stories, role play, and discussions about holidays, the seaside, different countries, transport, summer weather, and sun safety. They will be encouraged to learn and use new vocabulary in different contexts. Opportunities such as a beach café role-play area, ice cream shop, and storytelling sessions will encourage children to ask questions, retell events, and speak in full sentences. Children will develop listening and attention skills by following instructions during outdoor games, group activities, and themed challenges linked to our topic.

## **Maths**

This term children will be recapping the composition of numbers up to 10, subitising and automatic recall of number bonds to 5. They will be encouraged to explore and represent number patterns within numbers to 10, including odds and evens, double facts, number bonds to 10 and how to distribute quantities equally. The children will continue to verbally count beyond 20 and be able to compare quantities, recognising if something is greater, less than or the same as.

Our topic 'Fun in the Sun' will also provide plenty of opportunities for learning about capacity, length, shape and creating patterns.

## **Literacy**

The children will continue with their daily phonics lessons, learning new sounds and tricky words and reinforcing the ones already learned. The children will focus on forming simple sentences, using their sound and word knowledge, finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. Children will also focus on forming letters using the correct sequence of movements. The children will be encouraged to write independently for a range of different purposes linked to our topic - for example, making passports, travel tickets, travel brochures, luggage labels, postcards. The children will also enjoy reading a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry based around 'Fun in the Sun'. For example, The Train Ride, Commotion in the Ocean and The Rainbow Fish.

## **Understanding of the World**

The children will learn about different countries and begin to understand how places around the world can be different or similar. Children will develop an awareness of different cultures, environments and traditions by sharing their own holiday experiences. The children will investigate different forms of transport used for travelling on holiday, including aeroplanes, boats, trains, and cars, and will compare how people travel to different places. They will also explore beaches and seaside environments, learning about features of the coast, sea creatures, and how to stay safe near water.

## **Expressive Art and Design.**

Children will engage in imaginative play within an ice cream shop, travel agents, seaside puppet show and beach-themed role play areas, developing storytelling skills, collaboration, and confidence in expressing ideas. Children will create seaside pictures, sand art, and summer crafts using a variety of materials and techniques. They will learn and perform summer songs and rhymes, experimenting with rhythm, movement, and performance. They will design and build different forms of transport using junk modelling materials, encouraging problem-solving, creativity, and independent thinking while exploring how people travel on holiday.