

LEARNING LETTER - PANDA CLASS Summer 1 25-26

<p>MY COMMUNICATION Communication and Literacy</p> <p>This Summer Term 1, our topic is My World-Great Britain.</p> <p>Pupils will develop early communication and listening skills through storytelling, repetition, and sensory exploration. Activities will support understanding of characters, settings, and simple sequencing.</p> <p>We will listen to stories, join in with repeated phrases, use symbols and props, and take part in role play and small world activities to build vocabulary and confidence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ways you can help your child: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Read the story together and talk about the pictures. - Encourage your child to point, name animals, or join in with repeated phrases. 	<p>MY BODY Physical Skills</p> <p>This term, in PE we will focus on traditional British Sports Day. Pupils will take part in activities such as running races, relay races, throwing games, and individual and team challenges. These activities will develop coordination, balance, teamwork, and confidence.</p> <p>Fine Motor Skills: Tartan pattern activities, weaving, potato printing, and coin rubbing to develop hand strength, control, and creativity.</p> <p>Outdoor Learning: Exploring nature in Great Britain and taking part in traditional British outdoor games and activities.</p> <p>Weekly swimming sessions will continue, building water confidence, whole-body movement, and sensory enjoyment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ways you can help your child: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Practise simple races or throwing games in the garden or park. - Encourage mark making and pattern play at home. 	<p>MY INDEPENDENCE Skills for Life</p> <p>This term, pupils will develop independence through sensory play, role-play, and real-life experiences.</p> <p>Identiplay: Car play, train play, and Loch Ness Monster water play to develop imagination, communication, and independence through structured role play.</p> <p>Sensory Exploration: Exploring colours linked to flags, foods from different countries and their smells, and different textures linked to the Loch Ness Monster theme.</p> <p>Cooking: Preparing traditional dishes, including shortbread, to build independence, following instructions, and food awareness skills.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ways you can help your child at home: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage role play with vehicles or water play.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Offer simple choices and act out parts of the story with toys. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explore nature together on walks and try traditional playground games such as hopscotch or simple relay challenges. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explore different foods and smells together. - Allow your child to help with simple cooking tasks such as mixing, pouring, or decorating biscuits.
<p>MY COMMUNITY PSHE and Cultural Development</p> <p>Our Cultural Engagement event is Elmer Day, exploring themes of individuality, diversity, kindness, and belonging through stories, art, and discussion.</p> <p>In PSHE, pupils will work on <i>The World I Live In – The Environment</i>. Pupils will learn about caring for their environment, respecting nature, and understanding how their actions can help look after the world around them.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ways you can help your child at home: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Talk about what makes everyone unique and special. 	<p>MY COGNITION Digital Literacy, Maths and Science</p> <p>This term, our Maths focus: sharing among groups and counting in groups using practical, hands-on resources to build understanding of equal groups and early multiplication concepts. In Working World, pupils will explore countries of Great Britain, including culture, music, food, traditions, and patron saints. Exploring famous UK landmarks such as Stonehenge and linking to art and architecture. Learning about Isaac Newton as a famous British scientist and exploring simple ideas of gravity, forces, and motion.</p> <p>Digital Literacy will focus on developing mouse and trackpad skills, including clicking, dragging, selecting, and simple control activities to build</p>	<p>MY CREATIVITY Art and Music</p> <p>In art, pupils will explore landscape artwork inspired by John Constable, focusing on colour, sky, nature, and scenery. Pupils will create their own landscape art using a range of materials.</p> <p>In music, pupils will listen to popular British music and traditional songs. Moving to music through rhythm, action, and dance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ways you can help your child at home: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Look at pictures of landscapes and talk about what you can see. - Encourage drawing or painting outdoor scenes. - Listen to different types of music together and move to the rhythm.

- Read stories about friendship and diversity.
- Encourage your child to help recycle, tidy up, and care for plants or outdoor spaces.

independence with technology.

- **Ways you can help your child at home:**
 - Practise counting and sharing snacks or toys equally.
 - Talk about different parts of Great Britain and places you may have visited.
 - Explore simple science ideas like dropping objects safely to observe gravity.
 - Encourage use of a mouse or trackpad for simple games to build control skills.

- Use household objects to create simple sound effects and patterns.