

Summer Newsletter 2021-22



Armstrong Centre – Scotswood class.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a lovely Easter break and not indulged too much in all the delicious chocolate eggs on offer!!!

Our Overall Topic this term is 'Julia Donaldson' where we will be exploring the stories of 'Superworm' and 'The singing mermaid'. Students will continue to develop their skills in commenting on books, pictures and character's as well as completing their own individual work within literacy sessions.

We also continue to devote our sessions and morning routines, promoting reading this term focussing on our pupils developing their confidence in independent and shared reading and also their handwriting.

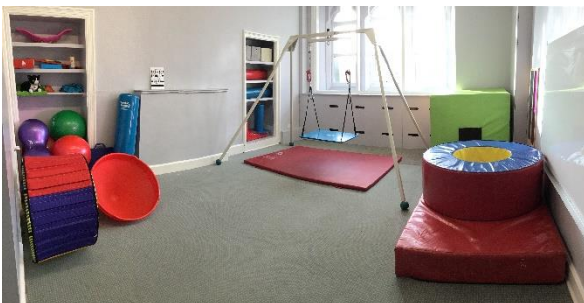
Numeracy sessions will see pupils developing their skills on number and place value, shape and measurement and prepositional work. We will use our previous terms work on money and transfer this skill when out in the community where pupils will purchase items needed for food technology sessions and snack times.

Science will have a focus on 'Minibeasts' where pupils will be looking at animals and their environments. Pupils will be creating their own animal habitats such as a wormery, ant farm and watching their own butterfly's hatch. The pupils will carry out a range of experiments where they will develop their reading and communication skills in following pictorial instruction sheets and using their communication boards to request all items needed.

Within this topic we will be including beach school alongside forest school sessions working with materials found at the beach and using these to make some wonderful pieces of work. Additionally, all students will be working on transitioning within the community and developing our communication and money skills in real life settings.

Swimming continues on a Friday morning and Wednesday mornings will be out and about in the community where we will be visiting Gosforth nature park and hopefully participate in some pond dipping and minibeast hunting!

We are also accessing our new Sensory Integration room this term, where the class can explore a wide range of new sensory based equipment. Such sessions will also enable the students to engage in imaginative play and turn taking skills with each other.



If you have any further questions you would like to discuss, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Carol and the Scotswood class team

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