

Poppy Class - Term 4 - Light and Dark

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our topic next term will be 'Starry Night' and the children will be exploring the differences in the world at night compared to during the day. They will find out about nocturnal animals and how they find food when it is dark. They will find out about people who work at night and the different jobs that people do when we are asleep. They will discuss bedtime routines and the importance of a good night's sleep. They will explore the night sky and find out about the Moon and stars. We will be very flexible with this, however, to ensure that our learning opportunities and environment reflect the interests and needs of all the children in the class.

In English, key texts will include 'Peace at Last' by Jill Murphy, 'Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell, and 'How to Catch a Star' by Oliver Jeffers.

In Maths, we will continue looking at length, height, and time, exploring their composition and introducing number bonds to 10. Children will also learn about the properties of 3-D shapes and create and describe repeating patterns.

We will continue to check reading on a Monday and spellings and doodle Maths on a Friday - PE will continue to be on Mondays and Tuesday and outdoor learning in our forest area on Wednesdays.

In PSHE, our topic is called Healthy me. The children will be looking at washing their hands, cleaning their teeth, going to the toilet, sleep, exercise, and healthy eating choices. Poppy Class will have a special visit from ASDA. They will look at healthy eating with us and we may even get to taste some different fruits and vegetables.

If you would like to do any home learning with your child during the half term holidays, why not look at the night sky and see how many stars you can see each night. You could also see how the Moon changes shape each night or go on a short walk after dark or go into the garden - don't forget to take a torch to light the way and discuss how things look different in the dark! You could also look at different planets in our solar system. Please don't forget to upload any photos / videos to Tapestry as we'd love to see what you've been up to.

As always, please see us if you have any queries or concerns.

We hope you all have a lovely, restful half term break!

Yours sincerely,
Miss Jones