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Dear Parents/carers,

Our final terms topic is 'Superheroes'.

Year: Reception Term: Summer Term 2

Themes: 'Superheroes'

Key books: Supertato, Some Dogs Do, The Day I Lost My Super Powers and Super Daisy.

Personal, social and emotional development

What will we be doing?

- Talking about things that are right and wrong.
- Learning about friendships and working as a team.
- Resolving conflicts by talking through disagreements to find a compromise.



Maths

What will we be doing?

- Estimating how many objects there are in a group and checking our guesses by accurately counting in one's or two's.
- Learning to add together groups of objects and finding the difference between two groups.
- Halving, doubling and sharing.
- Measuring and comparing heights and distances that our parachutes and aeroplanes for our superheroes travel in.
- Learning to tell the time using the terms o'clock and half past.
- Beginning to recognise $\frac{1}{4}$.

Communication and Language

What will we be doing?

- Using props and puppets to talk about and retell core book stories.
- Continuing to share our own experiences and special news in Show and Tell sessions.
- Sharing our own experiences of air travel.

Literacy

What will we be doing?

- Reading, sequencing and role playing core book stories.
- Changing parts of known books to write our own new stories.
- Writing our own story books about superhero adventures.
- Writing recounts and instructions for our creative activities.
- Creating our own comic strips.

Understanding the World

What will we be doing?

- Investigating materials and designing and launching our own superhero flying machines.
- Talking about our different cultures and exploring locations of different 'superheroes'.
- Learning about our solar system.
- Exploring different ways to travel through the air.

Physical Development

What will we be doing?

- Taking part in parachute games and looking at the changes in the body when we exercise.
- Skipping, hopping and moving rhythmically and dancing with streamers and ribbons.
- Improving our handwriting, by forming letters correctly, leaving spaces, writing on lines and keeping letters the same size.



Expressive Art & Design

What will we be doing?

- Using a range of materials to make flying objects e.g. kites, aeroplanes, balloons.
- Designing and creating our own flying toy.
- Continuing to create music and singing songs with actions.

Places to Visit

Air Line Cable Car: Greenwich

Enjoy regal views of London in the new cable cars flying at up to 90 metres above the Thames! The journey is less than ten minutes so perfect for even the smallest sightseer. (You can put on your superhero cape and pretend to fly!) You can also view the planes take off and land at the London City airport from this viewpoint.

Lego shop in Westfield Stratford – Mini builds

First Thursday of each month is a free mini-build. Although the session is aimed at 6-14 year olds, Lego store are happy to allow 5 year olds to join in if supported by a parent. The session runs 4- 6pm and each session guides children through a mini-build. The sessions can be very busy so be prepared!! Visit www.lego.com for other building ideas and inspiration.

How can you help at home?

- Continue to read with your child every day. Help your child to sound out words and recognise common words. Ask your child questions about the story to check they have understood what they have read. Remember to complete questions on Bug Club or complete your reading journal to record the other books you have read.
- Help your child to count socks in pairs or 2p coins, reciting in two's.
- Practise reading and spelling all of the high frequency words at the back of your homework book.

Last Notes

We are always grateful for donations of:

Magazines, comics or newspapers in your home language, fabric and material, ribbons, wool, and recyclable materials for junk modelling.

Sunny Weather

Please ensure that on hot days your child brings in a sunhat and please apply sun lotion in the morning before school. (Staff are **not** allowed to apply sun lotion to your child/children.)

Dates for your diary:

- **Friday 30th June** – Salisbury Summer Fete – 4pm
- **Tuesday 4th July** – Sports Day
- **Thursday 6th July** – Parents Evening – 4pm – 7pm
- **Tuesday 18th July** – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
- **Monday 4th September** – First day of the new academic year.

Please do not hesitate to speak to any of the staff in our school about your child's development and well-being.

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