

## Summer Term 2023-2024. Pemberton Learning Letter

### **MY COMMUNICATION**

#### **Communication and Literacy**

We are reading The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo, focusing on key activities to help us remember chapters, such as kite making, what a boarding school is, creating butterflies, finding out about lions and locating where Africa, France and England are.

### Ways you cn help your child:

Listen to audios or YouTube videos:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=twhrentOxLs
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9V3a8zsVETM
You may want to explore animals found in Africa and which ones we might find in a zoo, even visit a zoo and hunt for the African animals or find a butterfly enclosure.

## MY COMMUNITY

#### **PSHE:**

During PSHE lessons we will recognise influences others may have on us, how not to be persuaded or convinced if we believe or feel something is unsafe or wrong and reading text and role-play relating to this.

## **Cultural development:**

Our cultural development will be focusing on Hinduism where we are creating rangoli patterns and understanding the meaning behind these art forms, following on from this we will explore diversity and learn about pride month in June.

### Ways you can help your child:

Demonstrate and encourage welcoming people, create your own rangoli patterns using different mediums such as coins or icing on a biscuit using the colours from the pride flag.

### MY BODY

#### Physical skills.

During P.E we are reflecting on our own personal fitness, coming up with ways for improvement and realising what our personal best is, setting a challenge for this to be beaten. As the weather warms up our P.E may be taken outside for a game of Tennis, I'm thinking strawberries and cream would be nice too! We will also be learning drills for Polybat and badminton.

### Ways you can help your child:

Try some strawberries and cream to get into the swing for tennis. Practice throwing and catching different size balls or balloons, scrunched up tinfoil and a spatula is fun for service practice, don't forget to practice foot work too (African dance may help, see My Creativity section.)

### **MY COGNITION**

#### MATHS:

Our focus is on sequencing and sorting, sequencing is seen in many of our activities including rangoli art, making meals and sequencing the story of The Butterfly Lion. We are continuing to role play with money in our snack shop; learning to exchange money for the fruit we have ordered and we are now learning to pay for food we want during breakfast café.

### Ways you can help your child:

Playing with coins e.g. sliding them across a table, see who can spin them the longest or the fastest person to put them in a purse are all fun ways to start becoming interested in money. Sorting and sequencing coins in colour or value order or spending money in a local shop are all ways that will develop your child's understanding of sequencing, sorting and the use of money.

### **MY INDEPENDENCE**

### **Food Technology:**

We are using our skills to follow instructions, sequences and recipes to prepare simple meals. We are focusing on becoming more independent in all aspects of the process and thinking about meals that we can make in adulthood on our own.

As always, we will keep on using good food hygiene and safety procedures.

#### Ways you can help your child:

Have your child check their pack lunch contents or help place the contents in the lunch box or even take part in making their lunch. Work together to find food while preparing a meal or make a list of each ingredient for your child to collect, sorting what ingredient to use first, second, third and so on.

### MY CREATIVITY

# **Creativity:**

This term we are focusing on African music and dance, taking inspiration from the story The Butterfly Lion. We will be exploring digital music as well as banging out a rhythm or two on drums.

We continue to participate in mini enterprises and are thinking about how to raise money for the Prom.

### Ways you can help your child:

Traditional African and more up to date African music like Rema- Clam Down can be found on YouTube, even take part in the dance tutorials for this.

Taking into consideration on-line safety: please ensure videos and any on-line activities are appropriate for your child beforehand.