



Rights, Respect, Me, Relationships, Responsive.

St Dominic's ELC June 2021



The children have enjoyed raising the butterflies, "the evolved butterflies", have been released into the world and we are watching daily to find out if they come "home." The children have been learning about animals and the places that they can visit including the Safari Park. The children are employing their new vocabulary regarding the different attributes of the animals that live in the Amazon Rain Forest. The children are learning about the importance of caring for the planet and how they can have an effective input through recycling and reusing items.

Physical play.

The children are confident in participating in competitive games including practising for sports day. They are developing good hand coordination through participating in the egg and spoon race. They are continually working on their skipping skills and are confident to discuss the importance of trying your best alongside thinking of fairness and justice. These types of fun experiences can take place in the park or in the garden and you can include mathematical language through discussing 1st, 2nd, 3rd and so on.

Learning through play

The children have created an art gallery with their wonderful animal pictures. They have discussed shape and line while using their powers of observation to define and decipher the differences between the animals they have chosen to create. You can participate in transient art experiences at home through using everyday items in your house to create art and then take photographs and share them as a family and with us.



Creating our own stories.

The children are enjoying inventing their own characters and events to have fun with language and stories. This is something that you can encourage at home, through for example "one day a bear came for lunch", you will be amazed at how quickly the children buy into this concept of having fun with language. Each day we explore the world of words and the children are enjoying employing their higher order thinking skills as we use language for guessing, describing, informing and to participate in short and more extended conversations. Drawings are a powerful tool in engaging children in sharing their thoughts and ideas, it is interesting to observe the detail that they add to their work and how confident they are in expressing their sophistication in describing the world around them. Keep talking and listening as this is the key to ensuring your child has the best experiences in communication and language.

Transition

All the children that are going to school have participated in a range of online learning experiences to ensure they are well informed as to their next learning journey. The Primary 1 class are sharing each day a new character from their reading scheme and a new number with special effects. This has been an exciting part of our day as we travel outside to look at the "learning window". We will continue to support the children and their families with any aspect of transition that we can, including facilitating Teams meetings within the setting.



Learning through Technology

The children are enjoying exploring the world of technology, sometimes when we think of technology we automatically think of computers and iPads and although we use these in our everyday experiences we are ensuring that the children are aware that pipes, bottles, tubs for transporting materials, cookers, microwaves and toasters to name but a few are included when we think about everyday technology; we describe them as resources that make our lives easier. The children are working with tools, loose parts, computers, remote control bugs and using the iPads. We are very fortunate that within the setting we have access to a Promethean Board, iPads Lap tops and a range of resources that scaffold coordination and mapping skills within the children and we are confident in sharing with the children that computers can be used to find a range of interesting information and learning while ensuring that they are equipped with some learning about internet safety. We discuss the importance of parents having child safety measures on internet equipment at home while sharing that the school computers have safety mechanisms to protect us.



Shapes



Circle



Oval



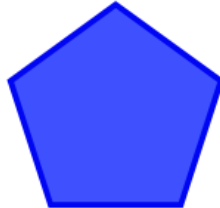
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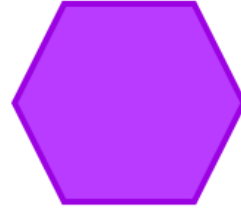
Square



Rectangle



Pentagon



Hexagon



Star



Heart



Cross



Crescent



Arrow



Diamond



Pie



Trapezoid



Parallelogram



Octagon



Semi-Circle



Decagon

I am the Earth

I am the river flowing
I am the desert dry
I am the four winds blowing
I am the sunset sky

I am the forest breathing
I am the ocean wide



I am the storm clouds gathering
I am the mountain high

I am the Earth
I am the Earth
I am the Earth
I am the Earth

We are the children growing
You are the place we live
We are the seed you're sowing
We are the life you give

We are the future rising
We will be your voice
We will watch and learn from you
We will make the choice

I am the Earth
(You're in our hands)
I am the Earth
(We're in your care)
I am the Earth
(Together we stand)
I am the Earth
(This moment in time we share)

I am the river flowing
We are the children growing
I am the desert dry
You are the place we live

I am the four winds blowing
We are the seed you're sowing
I am the...

St Dominic's Early Learning and Childcare

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Songs

I can sing a Rainbow

Red and yellow and pink and green

Purple and orange and blue

I can sing a rainbow

Sing a rainbow

Sing a rainbow too

Listen with your eyes

Listen with your ears

And sing everything you see

I can sing a rainbow

Sing a rainbow

Sing along with me

Red and...



One, two buckle my shoe.

One, two, buckle my shoe

Three, four, shut the door

Five, six, pick up sticks

Seven, eight, lay them straight

Nine, ten, begin again

Now everybody sings with me

One, two, buckle my shoe

Three, four, shut the door

Five, six, pick up sticks

Seven, eight, lay them straight

Nine, ten, begin again



Song is a great way to explore addition and subtraction. You can use visual aids to embed the learning, for example buttons as currant buns or make your own card buns and pennies to have fun with the language of maths and numeracy. Have fun with inventing silly words to have fun with language and rhyme we all love this, and it creates opportunities for laughter.



5 little men in a flying saucer

Five little men in a flying saucer

Flew around the world one day

They looked left and right but they didn't like the sight

So one man flew away

Four little men in a flying saucer

Flew around the world one day

They looked left and right but they didn't like the sight

So one man flew away

Three little men in a flying saucer

Flew around the world one day

They looked left and right but they didn't like the sight

So one man flew away

Two little men in a flying saucer

Flew around the world one day

They...

