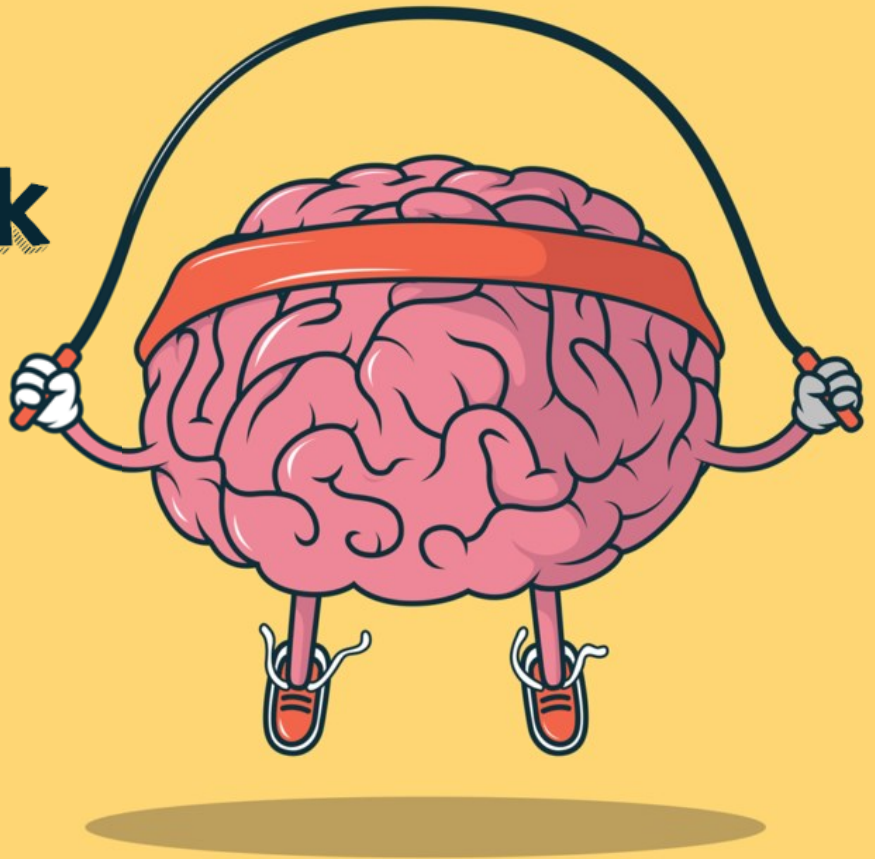


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This week we are learning to...



Literacy

Our two focus sounds this week are 't' and 'p'. The children will be taught the formation rhymes 'Down the tower, across the tower' and 'Down the plait and over the pirate's face' to help them remember the correct formation of the letters. We will work on developing the children's phonological awareness by identifying these sounds in the initial position in words and by sounding out and blending words such as 'tap', 'sat' and 'pat'.

At home, when you enjoy reading stories together, encourage your child to find pictures of objects that start with 't' and 'p' and spot these sounds in words on the page. You can show them how to say the sounds and blend them into words e.g. t-a-p, t-ap, tap.

Maths

This week, in our Maths Number lessons, we will continue to focus on counting objects in irregular sets. Can the children count the entire amount reliably and keep the total in mind? The children will be encouraged to match these quantities to the correct numeral card.

At home, you could use an egg carton to write numbers inside the egg holders, then ask your child if they can collect small Lego pieces, buttons or milk tops to match the various quantities. For example, can you find 3 Lego pieces to put on top of the number 3?

In our Maths Project lessons the children will learn to identify patterns from nature. We will provide a range of natural and everyday objects and materials, as well as small toy-ladybirds and bees, for the children to observe the patterns carefully, talk about them and then create their own patterns and spot mistakes.

At home, when you take a family walk help your child create and extend patterns such as stick, leaf, stick, leaf.

Understanding the World

In our Understanding the World lessons, the children will learn about their senses. The children will use their sight, smell, hearing and touch, to engage in hands-on exploration of natural materials.

At home, you could investigate together contrasting pieces of bark, different types of leaves and seeds, different types of rocks, or even different shells and pebbles from the beach .