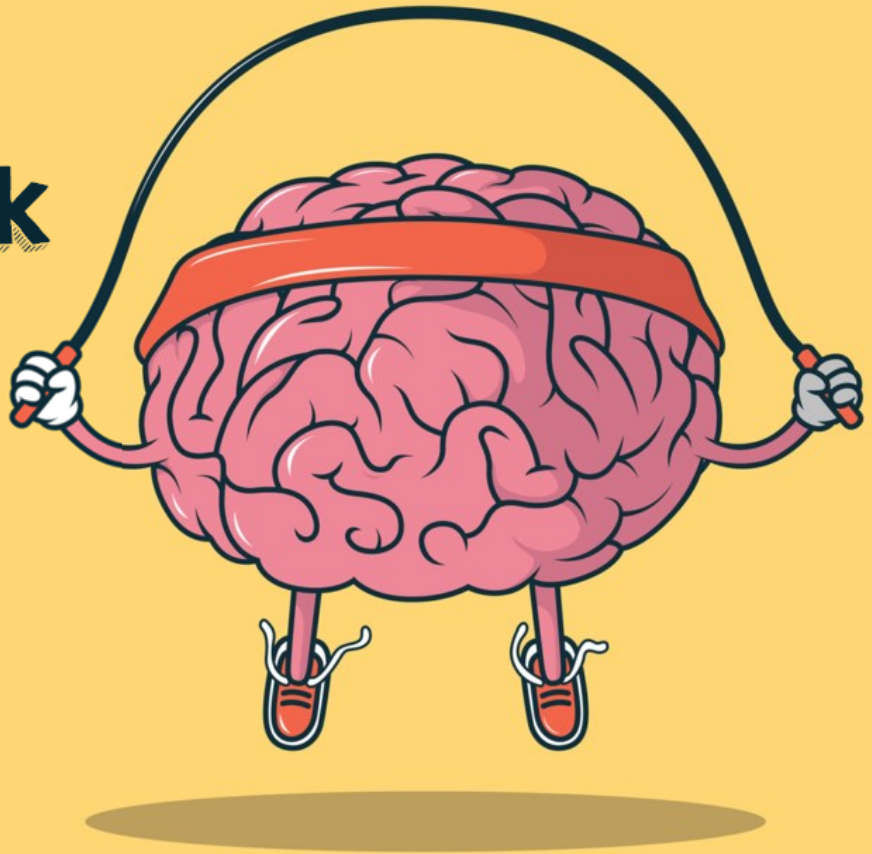


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This week we are learning to...



Literacy

In our Phonics lessons this week, we will focus on identifying 'g' and 'o' in three letter words, by listening carefully to how these are segmented by an adult e.g. What do we hear in the word dog? We will support and encourage the children to identify all three sounds (the natural progression of sound discrimination is—hearing the initial sound first, then the end sound, then the middle sound).

Development of fine motor skills for writing will be supported through secure development of gross motor movements— making shapes with our bodies and big movements with our arms to develop our posture and shoulder strength. The formation of 'g' and 'o' will be supported by learning the rhymes 'Round her face, down her hair and give her a curl' and 'All around the orange'.

At home, you can gather a selection of conkers and leaves to create your own letters and words that begin with our new sounds.

Maths

This week, we will explore the concepts 'one more than...' and 'one less than...' by comparing two sets within 10. We will use Numicon pieces to count and understand the relationship between consecutive numbers, then as a group we will create a number line collaboratively. The children will be supported to develop their confidence when using the focus mathematical vocabulary 'one more than ... is ...'/'one less than ... is ...'.

At home, you can practise singing '5 Current Buns' and create your own bakery including some baked goods. Then, you can discuss what happens every time one item is bought and taken away. Remember to practise your mathematical vocabulary 'one more than ... is ...'/'one less than ... is ...'.

In our Maths Project lessons, we will focus on combining shapes to create new shapes. The children will be using triangles to make rhombuses and hexagons and squares to make rectangles. We will explore the results and discuss them identifying similarities and differences between the initial shapes and the newly formed shapes e.g. What is the same and what is difference between a square and a rectangle?

At home, you can cut out these shapes and practise combining them in different ways. Can you discover any new shapes?

Understanding the World

This week, we will extend our knowledge of different bones in a human skeleton. We will also look at our main groups of muscles and understand how they help us move. Through a radiology role play scenario the children will be supported to develop their knowledge of how doctors explore the human body through x-rays.

At home, you can create your own x-ray picture of the human skeleton using some cotton bud sticks as bones and glue them down on paper. Can you remember the correct position of the bones in the human body?