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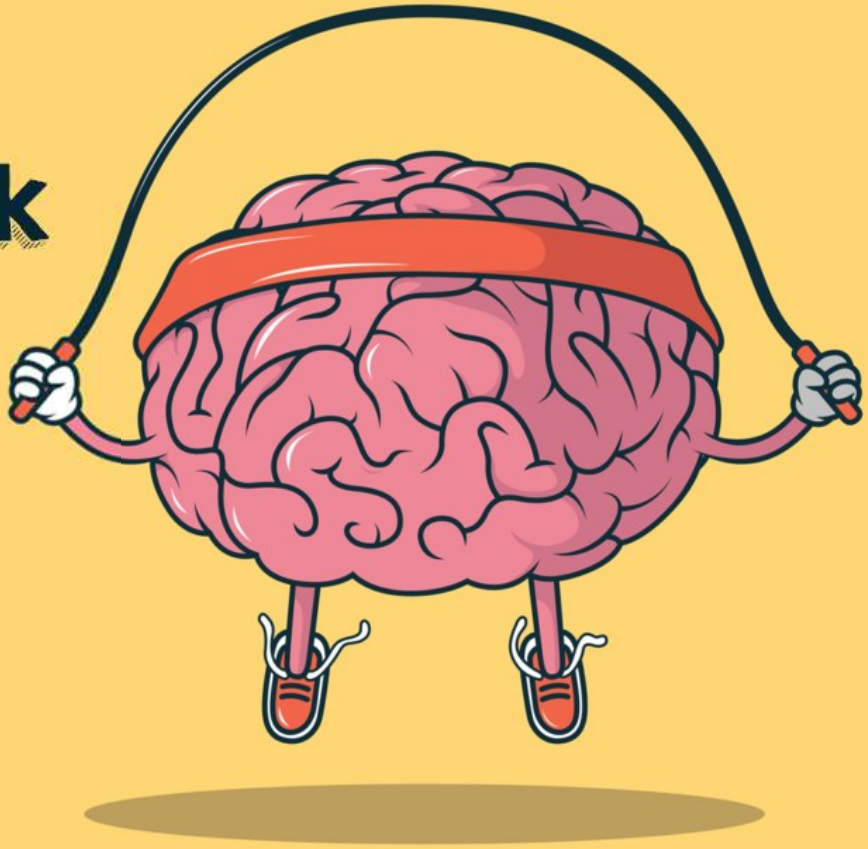
This week we are learning to...



Literacy

In our literacy lesson the children will be exploring rhyming and nonsense words as a fun and creative way to develop their early writing skills. They will begin by using their phonic knowledge to invent and read nonsense words, helping to strengthen their understanding of sound patterns. As they progress, they will practise forming full sentences, focusing on using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops correctly. Children will also be encouraged to continue rhyming strings, building confidence in recognising and creating rhymes. This playful approach will support their phonics development and inspire use of imaginative language. At home, children can play a 'Rhyming String Game' by starting with a word like "dog". They can then try adding rhyming words to the sentence such as "dog, log, zog..." They can see how long they can keep the string going!

Maths

In our Maths lesson the children be learning how to use Numicon to represent numbers in a visual and hands-on way. They will focus on identifying and naming Numicon shapes for numbers up to 10, helping them build a strong understanding of number recognition and counting. As they progress, they will begin to explore the concept of place value by recognising how numbers are made up of tens and ones. Additionally, children will use Numicon to support their understanding of simple addition problems, combining shapes to find totals and develop their confidence with early calculation strategies. At home children can continue to practice their addition and subtraction to help support their use of Numicon.

Science

In our Science lesson the children will be learning about how waste affects our environment and what we can do to reduce its impact. They will begin by understanding the meaning of waste and exploring the different types that exist in our everyday lives. As their learning develops, they will identify ways that humans manage and protect natural resources, such as recycling, reusing materials, and reducing waste. Children will also be encouraged to think about how these practices are applied within their school setting, helping them make connections between environmental responsibility and their own actions. This topic will support their understanding of sustainability and the importance of caring for the planet. At home, children can create a poster or collage showing how they help the environment with their family at home!

Project

In our project lesson the , children will be learning about the historical figure Guy Fawkes and the events of the Gunpowder Plot in 1605. They will begin by discovering who Guy Fawkes was and when the plot took place whilst building a foundation of key facts. Children will also consider how events are remembered today through traditions such as Bonfire Night, and make connections to significant historical locations like the Tower of London. This learning will help them understand how history is commemorated and its impact on British culture. At home, the children can talk about Bonfire Night and why we have fireworks and bonfires. They can discuss how this links to Guy Fawkes.