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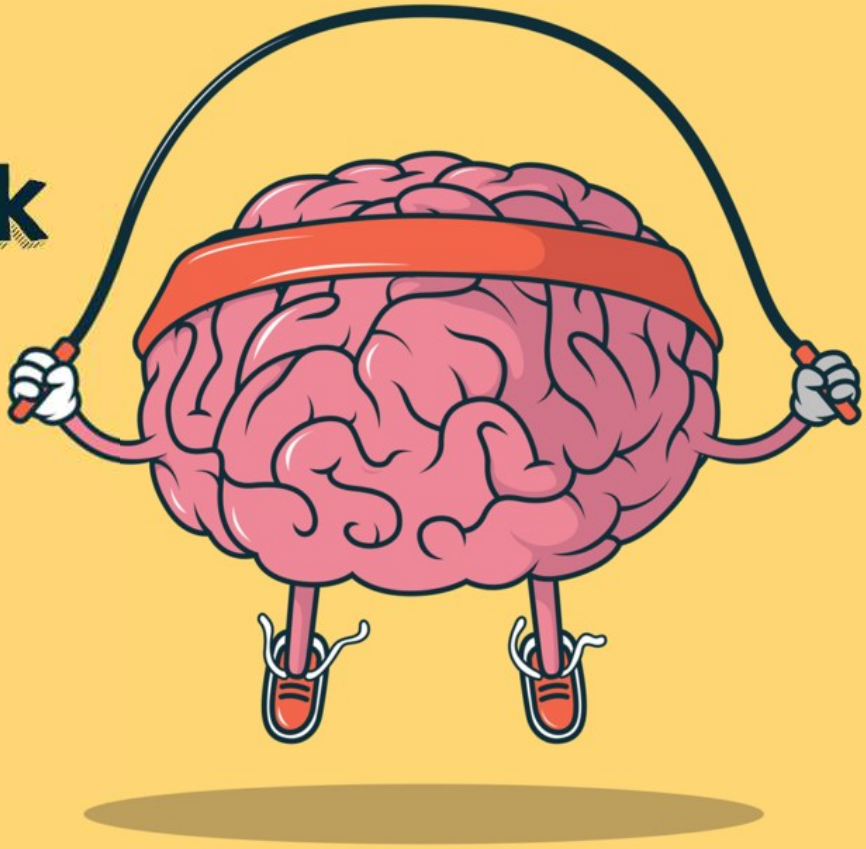
This week we are learning to...



Literacy

In our Phonics lessons, we will introduce the children to the sound 'e' by singing the Jolly Phonics song and matching the sound to the corresponding pictures e.g. 'm' is for 'monkey' and 'mummy' . We will encourage them to start forming letter 'm' by following the rhyme 'down Masie, mountain, mountain' and using a variety of sensory activities in the sand and playdough.

Our Creative Writing lessons will be inspired by the story 'Superworm' by Julia Donaldson. We will discuss the theme of the story, describe the characters and recall the main events in the correct order. The children will be encouraged to create their own illustrations for the story and attempt writing the initial sound to label their pictures.

At home, you could go on an adventure around your house or around the garden recalling at the end the different sights you each noticed.

Understanding the World

This half term, in our Understanding the World lessons, our topic will be 'Day and Night'. This week we will compare day and night, thinking and talking about the differences between these two periods of time. We will explore questions such as 'What animals are awake during the day/night? Why is it dark on one side of the globe and light on the other? We will read the book 'Day Monkey, Night Monkey' by Julia Donaldson, to develop our understanding further.

At home, you could listen together to the story 'Wow! Said the Owl' by Tim Hopgood and support the children's understanding of day and night.

Maths

This week, we will focus on recognising the number 5 and counting groups and objects up to 5. The children will use different zoo and jungle animals in the room and look at the different number of legs each animal has.

At home, you could play matching games with your child to see if they are able to arrange objects into groups of 5 and count them reliably.