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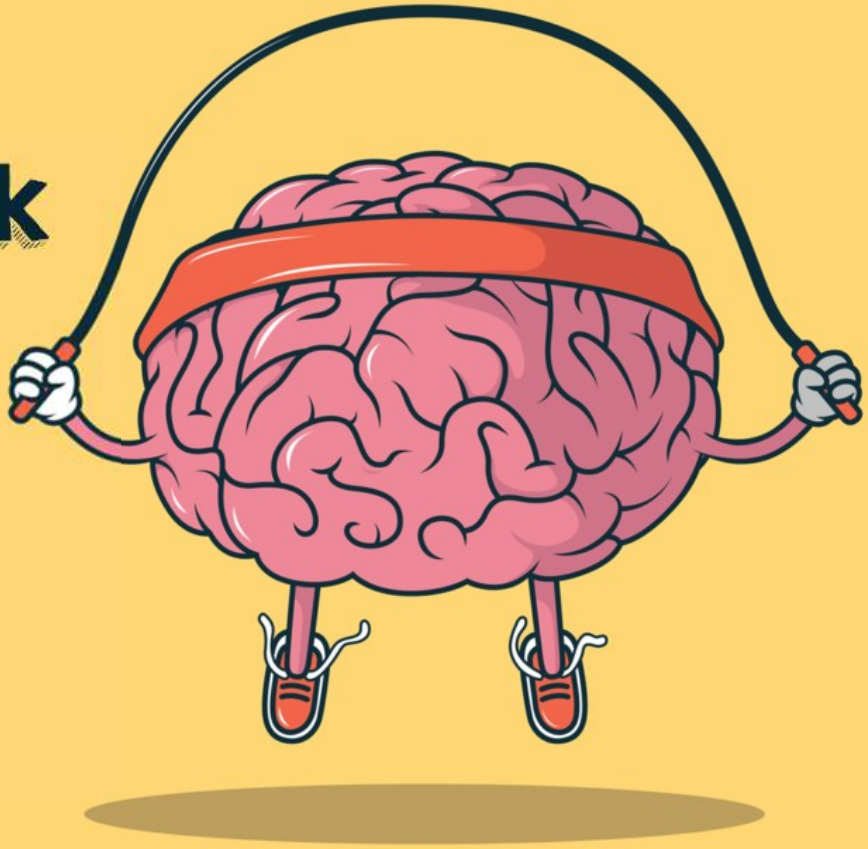

Literacy

This week in Creative Writing, children will be learning how to use adjectives in their work to enhance the reader's enjoyment. They will begin by understanding that adjectives are describing words, which help to add detail and make writing more interesting. As they practise, children will be encouraged to use adjectives within independent sentences to bring their ideas to life. Building on this, they will also learn to check their sentences carefully for mistakes, ensuring their writing is accurate as well as engaging. At home, children can choose a favourite book or story and show you a list of the adjectives they find. They can talk about how these words make the writing more interesting.

Maths

This week in Maths, children will be learning how to use pictorial strategies to support addition with numbers up to 30. They will begin by practising how to use a number line to identify one more and one less of numbers up to 50, strengthening their understanding of number sequences. As their skills progress, they will apply their knowledge of the number line to add by counting forwards, helping them to visualise addition more clearly. Building on this, children will also explore how the number line can be used to support subtraction problems, giving them a versatile strategy for solving early calculation tasks with confidence. At home, children can do some number line practice by drawing a simple number line up to 50 on paper. You can ask your child to point to a number and then find one more and one less.

Science

This week in Science, children will be learning about the impact of deforestation. They will begin by understanding what deforestation is and why it happens. As their knowledge develops, they will identify the sequence of issues that occur as a result of deforestation, such as loss of animal habitats, soil erosion, and changes to the environment. Building on this, children will also explore the meaning of carbon emissions and how cutting down large areas of forest contributes to climate change. Through this learning, they will gain a clearer picture of how human actions affect the planet and why protecting forests is so important. At home, you can ask your child to explain in their own words what deforestation means, then draw a picture showing a forest before and after trees are cut down.

Project

This week in our Project lesson, children will be learning about how London was rebuilt after the Great Fire of 1666. They will begin by finding out who Christopher Wren was and why he is an important figure in history. As their knowledge develops, they will identify some of the buildings he designed, such as St Paul's Cathedral, and explore how London changed following the fire. Building on this, children will consider how architecture helps to shape a city and discuss why Wren's work is still admired today, giving them a deeper understanding of how the Great Fire influenced the development of modern London. At home, you can encourage your child to create a fact file about Christopher Wren, including who he was, why he is important, and some of the buildings he designed.