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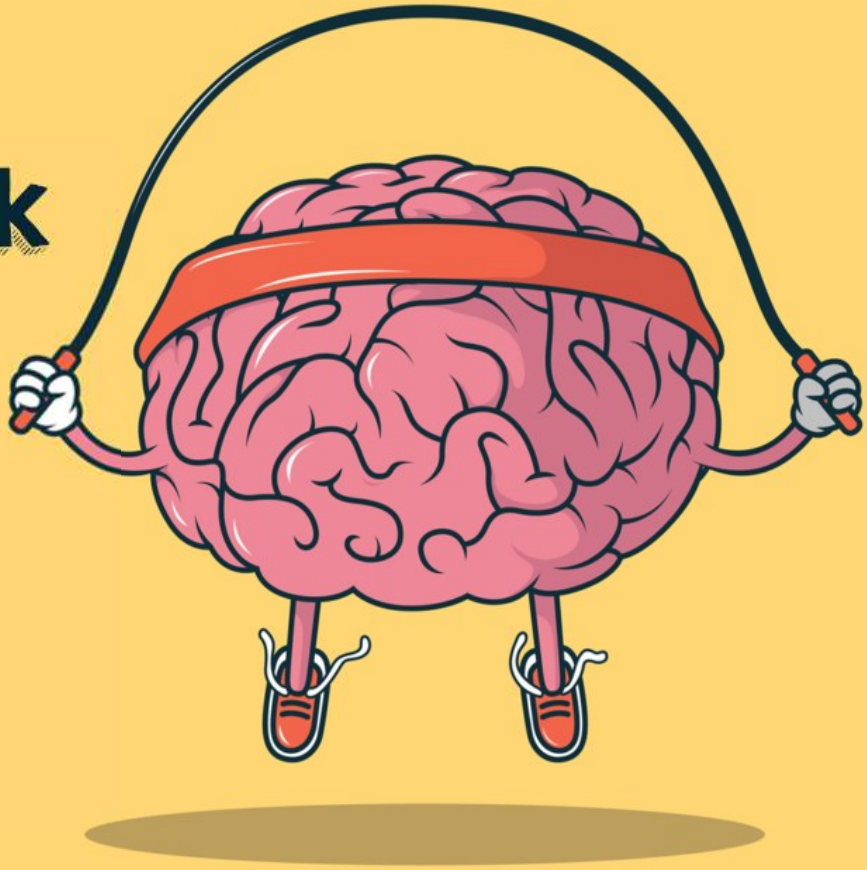
This week we are learning to...



Literacy

In our Phonics lessons this week, we will introduce the sound 'O' by singing the 'Jolly Phonics' song and matching the sound to the corresponding pictures. For example, 'o' is for 'orange' and 'out'. We will encourage the children to start forming the letter 'o' by following the letter formation rhyme 'all around the orange'. A variety of sensory activities involving sand, playdough and shaving foam, will be used to support the children to learn the formation in a fun way.

In Creative Writing this week, our focus story 'Worrysaurus' by Rachel Bright, will encourage the children to make the connections between the story and their personal experiences. They will discuss what it means to be worried and what they can do if they are feeling worried. The children will be encouraged to create their own illustrations for the story and attempt to write the initial sound to label their pictures.

Understanding the World

In our Understanding of the World lesson, we will continue to learn about our current topic 'Day and Night'. This week, we will use our white and blue thinking hats to recall our learning throughout the topic. We will discuss our daily routines, the names of the different planets in the solar system, the diurnal and nocturnal animals and why we can't always see the sun.

At home, please discuss your morning and evening routines, encourage the children to explain their understanding in full sentences and discuss the importance of brushing teeth regularly, going to sleep on time and eating their break breakfast. etc.

Maths

This week, we will focus on learning the formation of the number 7 by using the number formation rhyme 'across and down from heaven, that's the way we make seven'. We will use a variety of sensory activities to support the children to learn the formation, before practising with a pencil and paper.

At home, ask your child to use the formation rhyme to practise their number formation..