Understanding the world

We will start of the topic by identifying heroes without super powers at home and in the community and discuss how they keep us safe. We will look closely at the different jobs these heroes have and think carefully how they help us. We will also have special visits from some of these superheroes too, bringing learning to life! Children will also learn and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and wellbeing, considering healthy and unhealthy foods, sleep, exercise, hygiene, teeth and a basic understanding of a sensible amount of screen time. Children will also look at how to be a safe pedestrian. In RE, we will use what we have learnt in the autumn term about festivals from around the world and build upon this when learning about Ramadan and the Holi festival. We will also look the story of Easter through a range of stories.

Literacy

Children will explore a range of exciting texts over the spring term. Children will first look at the story of "Supertato" in which children will create their own super potato before labelling the different key features of their superhero. Children will also use the story of "Superbat" to write letters from the perspective of the mice to ask Superbat for his help! We will then use the story of "Mr Strong" to write our own story where Mr Strong saves the day by writing simple sentences using finger spaces and full stops!

PSE Development

We will first remind ourselves of our class rules and expectations of behaviour. We will discuss what is right and wrong using superheroes as a stimulus. We will continue to play games involving taking turns and sharing and we will emphasise how to be kind to our new friends.

Finally, we will talk about the importance of team work and what super qualities we need to be a good team player.

Superheroes

Upper Foundation Spring

Physical

We will continue to enjoy a range of activities designed to develop our gross and fine motor skills. We will also continue to use pencils with more control. In our outdoor sessions, children will develop their throwing, catching, kicking and climbing skills and we will become more independent when changing into their PE kits. During our indoor lessons, children will take part in dance and gymnastics sessions. Children will be using our story from literacy lesson to help them create a dance about Mr Strong.

Expressive Arts

Children will continue to use a range of media and materials within the provision. This term, children will develop the use of tools when working with play dough. Children will learn how to use tools to mould and manipulate the dough to create a planned effect or shape. Children will develop this knowledge to create superheroes! Children will also be able to use junk modelling to create a simple structure of an emergency vehicle, enhancing this with other manipulated materials. Within our role play area, children will take on the role of a paramedic and act out what to do in an emergency using resources and props to enhance this.

Mathematics

This term, children will continue to develop their subitising skills. Children will learn how to subitise a regular and irregular arrangement up to 5 and discuss how they know this by using their composition knowledge of numbers to 5. Children will begin to use objects to help add and subtraction two single-digit numbers, recall number bonds and doubling facts to 5. Children will also continue to develop their knowledge of numbers to 7 by using their fingers to find one more and one less than.