



Gold Class  
St Anne's Royton

Spring Term 1  
Week 2  
18<sup>th</sup> January

# Weekly Newsletter

Dear Parents,

This week we have started our new topic which is 'People Who Help Us'. The children have really enjoyed playing in our hospital role play area. We have been encouraging them to talk to each other, asking questions such as, "How can I help? How did this happen?" They have taken on different roles from doctor, to receptionist to patient.

We have set up different learning challenges in each area to further the children's learning on People Who Help Us. We have 'Get Well Soon' cards to make and write in, emergency vehicles to paint, a fire in our doll's house which people need rescuing from and lots of information books in our book area. The children have been introduced to the term 'information book' and we have talked about the differences between this and a story book (i.e. one is made up, the other tells us the truth).

We had a visit from a fabulous police officer who talked about her job and showed us all of the equipment which she carries and uses everyday. She talked to the children about how she is there to help people (not just lock up baddies!) and we discussed going to the police if you are lost or if something bad has happened to you.

## P.E. Sessions

The children had their first PE session with Mr Morris (a Sports Development Officer from Oldham) this week. They all really enjoyed the session, in which they used their imaginations to visit the zoo and moved around the hall like different animals. If you have not already, please provide your child with some pumps to wear for PE, please ensure that their name is inside.

## Music Sessions

The children really enjoyed their session with Mrs Emmott this week. They are developing confidence in using their voices to sing, playing musical instruments to a beat and practising listening skills.

## Library Visit

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February, we are taking the children to visit Royton Library. As part of our topic, we will be finding out about the role of a librarian and how they help people. The children will also have chance to explore the books which they can choose from. We would like as many parents/family members to accompany us as possible. If you (or a family member) are able to do so, please speak to a member of staff.

## Homework

Please role play People Who Help with your child, encouraging them to take on a role and ask questions – some children found this really difficult. You could be a child who is lost and they are the Police Officer, they could be a firefighter and your cat is stuck up a tree or they could be a nurse and you are poorly.

Thank you for your support,  
Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Russell.