Poppy Class – COVID Summer planning

Week 5: Geography Focus

During the summer term the **Geography Focus** is **Oceans and Continents.** Our aim with this topic is for the children to explore the seven continents and 5 oceans using a multi sensory approach. They can also focus on the differences between them (where people/fish live, where are we from, how do you travel when in the ground/water, etc.)

All the summer term subjects: Science (transport, movement), P.E. (movement), Literacy focusing on the book "Pussycat, pussycat where have you been? I've been to London to visit the Queen" (where all these subjects are linked in a cross-curricular way), Art (Composition) and Maths (2D-3D shapes) are connected in a cross-curricular way to make your child's experience meaningful and engaging.

Activities

You can always introduce these activities with a song:

Oceans song: https://youtu.be/X6BE4VcYngQ

Continents song: https://youtu.be/fqsCWZtZlk4

Focus on the difference between oceans and continents through play and sensory activities.

- Create a sensory Ocean tray.
- Create a sensory Ocean bottle.
- Link those sensory trays to smells or different shades of blue and label them.
- Use clay/dough to model the Continents, name them, label them.
- Use the continents' models to arrange them on the sensory tray looking on google earth/maps.
- Look for countries that you can find in each continent.
- Focus on each continent and cook a recipe from a country that you and your family like from that continent.
- Focus on each continent and look for music that you and your family like from a country from that continent.
- Use contact paper and draw a world map, use blue and brown/orange balloons to differentiate between oceans and continents by sticking them on the world map.
- Have a relaxing-massage session using underwater ocean youtube videos.
- Focus on the continents and oceans names and write/trace those letters.
- Watch finding Nemo, finding Dori Focusing on where they live, they can also play while watch they watch them.

Resources

Oceans sensory play ideas: https://www.funathomewithkids.com/2014/07/15-ocean-sensory-play-ideas-for-kids.html

https://happytoddlerplaytime.com/ocean-sensory-bottle/

Clay and dough recipes:

https://youtu.be/IJP-Ik-5I-U

https://youtu.be/oAIAm6BF0fs

Balloons ideas:

https://www.hellowonderful.co/post/balloon-sticky-wall-sensory-activity/

International recipes:

Cooking is a great moment to practice reading, sequencing, maths (measurement and counting) and general life skills!

https://www.topinspired.com/top-10-best-recipes-from-each-continent/

https://food.ndtv.com/recipes/continental-recipes

Underwater relaxation videos:

https://youtu.be/VReCpkav3RY

Oceans and Continents games:

https://www.busythings.co.uk/play/#

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An angel fish



With a splash,







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Its sharp spikes



This anchor







The happy fish



Its red shell







Some colourful coral



A huge ray







Inside its shell



Its eight legs







The submarine



Two brave divers







World Map









