Literacy Theale Primary School

Topics: Drama

Year: FS2/Y1

Key knowledge		
Autumn		
Personal	To understand the importance of	
Communication	eye contact in order to connect	
	with others.	
Speaking	To know the importance of	
	projection and clarity when	
	speaking .i.e. saying our name	
	(clap, clap game)	
Awareness of	While cooperating with peers	
space	understand the significance of	
	working safely and confidently	
	within their own space.	
Posture	To understand how posture affects breath control when speaking	

Key knowledge		
Spring		
Performance skill;mime.	To understand that spoken language is not used during mime.	
Introduction of the concept of Illusion.	To use imagination and the concept of illusion to tell a story.	
Physicality to portray characters	To know that the form your body takes can communicate a character to the audience.	

Key knowledge		
Summer		
Performance	To know the simple conventions of a circus consisting of a variety of acts i.e. clowns, knife throwers, jugglers and elephants.	
Story telling	To understand that a story can be told and developed through mime and the use of dialogue in isolation or combination.	
Audience (ourselves)	To know how to actively listen, watch and respond to a performance	
Soundscape	To know that a soundscape can be created using vocal, body and instrumental sounds.	

Extended learning opportunity

Children in Need November, voice projection and performance. World Poetry Day, Nursery Rhymes.

Cross curricular links

Social Development- working together, treating each	
other with respect	
Communication and Language- listening to and	
following instructions.	
Dance- use of space	
Music- understanding of rhythm in speech and song.	

	Key Vocabulary
Facial expression	Movements that you can make with your face to express your emotions. i.e. happy, sad, cross, disappointed.
projection	To speak loud enough to be heard without shouting.
Gesture	Non -verbal communication using hand signals i.e. waving, stop,
Physicality	Whole body awareness and movement, specifically positioning in work space.
Mime	A means of communication without speaking that is exaggerated, precise and slow.
Improvision	To create a story/character without a script.
stereotype	How most people would imagine a certain character to be.
illusion	Something that appears to exist that in fact doesn't.
performance	The action of representing a character in the play.
audience	A group of people gathered together to watch or listen to something.
cue	A prompt that tells you when to speak, move or sing during a performance.