



The Toymaker

The learning journey for children will begin with the children creating their own shadow puppets. The children will use their shadow puppets and miniature theatres to perform shadow puppet concerts to their classmates.



The children's learning will then move onto the subject of History, where they will sequence toys in chronological order. The children will then participate in an in depth study of toys from the past, comparing toys that were played with by their parents, grandparents and even further back to toys from Victorian Britain.



Following History, children will participate in a lengthy and exciting project where DT will be the primary subject covered. Children will work towards creating their own marionettes inspired by the world's most famous marionette, Pinocchio! The children will participate in research activities before moving onto producing detailed designs to support them in making their marionettes. In addition to creating their own marionettes, the children will also look at toy packaging in order to support them

with creating their own packaging for their marionettes and delve into how toy packaging can be made in a more environmentally friendly way. Following this, the children will explore how toys are advertised on television and the internet, through research and class discussions, the children will then work towards creating their own adverts for their marionettes where they will be encouraged to use their ever-growing computing skills.



The parents will be invited into school to view the children's marionette toy shop to celebrate the children's learning that has taken place during the term. Parents will be able to see the children's shadow puppets and theatres from their entry point, marionette puppets and packaging, as well as the children's super adverts.