

Henri Le Worm is an educational app which uses different creative ways to encourage a child no matter what age to live and eat a healthy lifestyle.

I can honestly say that I have never seen such a deep investment from such a diverse group of young children as I did through this study and I think it's due to the pure enjoyment of the app on a first look basis and a genuine depth of study which is available through exploring the app on a deeper level and linking it to different areas of the curriculum.

I used the app and integrated it into the curriculum in my year 2 class. I linked it to my topic 'Food under the ground'. As a class we explored and participated in the process of seeding, maintaining, harvesting, preparing, cooking and of course finally eating. This app is able to be applied to so many different areas of the curriculum and covers many of the skills which are needed to teach in schools.

In literacy; Using Henri's passion for cooking and food we were able to explore the food which grew in Henri's garden and create our own information posters on the different food, understanding about the process of bulb to plant. We also used the settings and characters to build narrative and learn about dialogue through speech bubbles.

Using the idea of Henri's world famous cookbook my children also created their own recipes for our own class cookbook. We covered skills such as time connectives, imperative, bossy verbs and an understanding of ordering and sequencing events. My class researched, discussed, created and then presented their own recipes using the food from the app.

In numeracy; we used fractions to chop and slice our vegetables we then learnt how to accurately measure and weigh out our different ingredients in order to make a range of tasty homemade treats, including potato salad (with herbs picked from our garden), carrot cake style cupcakes and vegetable curry.

In PSHE; we used the story of Henri to discuss the rights and wrongs of the story. We also discussed stealing and what it means to be a lovely friend and what to do when someone was unkind to us just like Lumpy Lumpy was unkind to Henri.

It is thanks to the practical, hands on approach to learning by using the garden and the kitchen as an integral part of our learning that the children have such a deep understanding of what it means to be healthy and this was all aided with the Henri Le Worm app

The learning doesn't stop there. **children can continue their learning at home** by downloading the app and reliving the excitement and life of the characters over and over; all the time anchoring the new learning too. We need to invest in the future of our children by educating them with skills and knowledge about food that they can apply independently to their own lives. And I think you'll all agree that that will be a future worth living.

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