

Nursery Autumn 1 Curriculum Coverage

Literacy (Reading & Writing)

In phonics our young children will be supported to develop an awareness of 'sounds'. This will include environmental, musical and spoken sounds. Children will begin to link sounds to letters, sounding the letters of the alphabet and identifying the initial sound in words. Children will be encouraged to give meaning to marks as they draw and paint, and with support, write their name with the correct letter formation. Children will be encouraged to listen to stories with increasing attention and recall. Encouragement and support will be given to enable children to begin to predict story outcomes as well as compare the feelings of characters with their own experiences.

Communication & Language (Listening & Attention/ Understanding/ Speaking)

Through a variety of interactive group activities, such as, singing familiar nursery rhymes, playing games and discussion times, encouragement and support will be given to develop and enhance children's:

- listening, attention and turn taking skills
- ability to respond to simple instructions
- use language as a powerful means of widening contacts, sharing feelings, experiences and thoughts.

Understanding The World

Specific focuses in the Foundation Stage are very much led by the children's interests. During the first few weeks children's personal and social development will be supported and enhanced through our 'Settling into Nursery and Building Relationships' focus. During the month of October children's understanding of the world will be enhanced through our Harvest Festival, Diwali and Black History Month topics.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Lots of support will be given to our young children as they settle into nursery and begin to form good relationships with their peers and familiar adults.

Christian and British Values will continue to be central to our daily lives in nursery. Children will be encouraged and supported to accept the needs of others, take turns and share resources. As routines are established, support and encouragement will be given to help children understand and abide by the Golden Rules .

Mathematics (Number/ Shape, Space and Measure)

Through a variety of interactive activities, such as, singing counting songs and playing games, encouragement and support will be given to develop and enhance children's understanding of 'number'.

Children will begin to recite numbers in order and count objects. They will begin to understand numbers identify how many objects are in a set. Children will be introduced to the numerals and Numicon that represents numbers to 5. Children will begin to recognise colours and 2D shapes.

Physical Development

Support and encouragement will be given to our young children to enable them to become independent when dressing and toileting. In mark making children will be taught how to hold and control a pencil comfortably and use it with good control to make marks and form recognisable letters e.g. letters from their name. Children will participate in a variety of physical activities and games in and outdoors aimed at motivating them to be active and develop the skills and confidence to move freely, negotiating space and balancing safely.

Expressive Arts & Design

Children will be supported as they begin to make-believe by pretending and engaging in imaginative role-play based on own first-hand experiences. Children will be provided with daily opportunities to experiment with blocks, colours and marks. They will be encouraged to explore the different sounds of instruments and through joining in with dancing and ring games. children will begin to build a repertoire of songs and dances.

