



AUTUMN
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Nursery

Newsletter

What we have been up to:

In Nursery we have been...

learning our rules and routines, settling in and learning each other's names and making new friends, learning staff names and making relationships with new adults and our peers. As well as learning self-help skills, taking our shoes and socks off independently for PE and putting our coats on independently. We have been playing in the Home Corner role play area, exploring all activities including sensory play, small world play, using and modelling with clay, mark making and construction. Joining in with group sessions and adult led activities and learning to sit for the register and the routines for dinner, home time and snack time.

Other areas of the Curriculum:

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Continuing to learn to share and take turns. Learning to follow the rules and boundaries. Talking about our feelings and sharing circle time together and being confident to try new activities and adult led work.

(Come and see our Nursery rules in class).

Core Curriculum:

Reading and Writing

We will be enjoying looking at books independently and joining in with familiar stories, recognising and writing our names and exploring a variety of pre-writing skills inside and outside.

Number / shape space and measures

We will recite number names in sequence and select a number of objects from a group. We will create and experiment with symbols and marks representing ideas of number, make comparisons between quantities, understand more and a lot. We will know that a group of things changes when something is added or taken away. We will continue to explore number and shape in our free play.

Understanding the world

We will be learning about the story of Diwali, Bonfire Night, and the Nativity. We will be using torches and headphones and the CD player to listen to music stories and songs.

Expressive Arts. Being Imaginative

We will continue to play in the role play area and we will introduce a narrative into our play. We will be playing alongside others engaged in the same theme. We will be exploring creative opportunities including painting, cutting, sticking and music making and learning new songs. Later in the term we will be making Christmas cards, Yule logs and printing our own wrapping paper.

Other areas of the Curriculum:

Communication & Language

We will be practising listening to each other and listening carefully to different stories. We will be listening to the adults and following instructions in PE and playing games where you need to follow instructions. We will be talking to our peers and other adults in the setting and talking about our feelings and what makes us happy and sad. We will follow instructions to make firework pictures, using scissors, glue sticks and glitter shakers appropriately. We will respond to Father Christmas and take part in party games by following instructions.

Physical Development

We will be mark making inside and out using a variety of tools and resources, practising holding pencils and trying to use a tripod (three-finger) grip. We will explore the outside area including the climbing frame, balance bikes, trikes, cars and balance equipment. We will participate in PE lessons in the main school hall. We will be becoming more independent when using the toilet, washing our hands and taking shoes and socks on and off. We will also be putting on coats, hats and gloves independently.

Reminders/Key dates:

Autumn term

4 September - 20 December

Training day

18 October

Christmas Performance

5 December - 10.00am

Christmas Fayre

7 December

Christmas Jumper Day

20 December



Please help me at home by....

continuing to help me become more independent when using the toilet and washing my hands, putting shoes and socks on and putting on my coat and doing it up. Send me to nursery with a coat, hat and gloves as it gets colder and remember spare clothes – please make sure all items are named.

Children do not need a water bottle and remember no toys from home please. If you have any questions, please speak to a member of the Nursery team.

Please look at the medium term plans and adult led activity plans in the Nursery foyer. We also have a continuous provision plan which changes daily.

Parent meeting dates and Christmas Performance dates to follow.

Nursery Fund is due: *We ask for £10 a term, however any contributions are gratefully received as it helps contribute that little extra to our provision, including cooking ingredients, playdough making, and extra sparkly bits at Christmas!*

Thank you.