

Nursery – Curriculum

Letter

Spring 1

The following are some of the things we will be learning about this half term....



Literacy/Communication and Language...

This half term we will be reading a range of Nursery rhymes. We will be focusing on a new rhyme each week, consolidating the ones we already know and learning some new ones.

We will continue to learn our 'Sound of the week' and we will be helping children learn the sounds in their name. Please remember that we are teaching children their **sounds** initially – not letter names yet.

The children have been self-registering and it has been inspiring to see so many parents being encouraging and supportive. We will now be teaching some children the formation/rhyme of some of the sounds as they write their name.

This term during Independent learning, we will be focusing on the children ascribing meaning to marks that they see in different places.

Please continue to choose books from our book corner and take any favourite ones home to read with your child. Please sign them in and out.



Maths...

We will be extending our repertoire of Maths song to include some number melodies which fits in nicely with our focused weekly Nursery Rhymes.

We will become 'Number Detectives', not only solving number problems but we will be using our magnifying glasses to develop our interest in numerals in the environment.

We will begin to talk about the shapes of everyday objects, e.g. 'round' and 'tall'.

And we will support children in understanding that not only objects, but anything can be counted, including steps, claps or jumps.



Personal and Social Development...

This half term we would like parents to continue to remind children to say 'please and thank-you'. Only a few children are saying this on a consistent basis and is something we will continue to discuss with the children during 'snack-time'.

We will be setting small 'Home tasks' to encourage the children to communicate about their own home and community more.

Lastly, through using selected stories and puppets we will be helping the children to be more aware of their own feelings, and know that some actions and words can hurt others'.



Topic Focus – Rhymes and Rhythm!

Our topic for this half term is Rhymes and musical rhythms!

We will be looking at how music makes us feel, enjoying joining in with dancing and ring games, imitating movement in response to music and tapping out simple repeated rhythms.

We will be sharing our favourite Nursery rhymes with each other and learning new ones.

We will also be exploring lots of music and dance from other cultures.

Ideas for Activities & Visits Outside School...

As mentioned the children really enjoy and can sing along to a few selected songs that we sing during our school day. These are our top 3 Nursery favs!

- 1) Shape 2 song https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=shape+2+song
- 2) Phonics 2 song <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BELIZKpi1Zs>
- 3) Five Little Monkeys <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b0NHrFNZWh0>

Please play them for your child and sing along too! Don't forget you can access Nursery Rhymes on Youtube as well as the library and our very own book corner. We will be visiting the library this term, so please come along with us if you can. Date to be confirmed.