

Half Term Curriculum Overview

Magical Me



Nursery Autumn 1 - 2022

Literacy

Reading:

This half term we will be sharing our favourite stories, rhymes, songs and poems. We will also begin to fill in the missing words in these stories. Daily, we will be encouraging the children to independently hold and turn the pages in books. We will be asking the 'who', 'what' and 'where' questions to prompt discussions about the stories that we read.

Writing:

Through play, we will begin to explore the different marks that we can make using a variety of materials such as: crayons, pens, paints, mud, sand, water etc. To help develop hand and finger strength ready for writing we will practise rolling, pinching, squeezing playdough. We will be learning the 'Tommy thumb' nursery rhyme to encourage the children to connect with and move their individual fingers.

Maths

Number

Our main focus in number this half term is counting to 5 and then moving onto counting to 10. We will also begin to select a small number of objects when asked and begin thinking about how the total number of objects changes when items are added or taken away. We will be comparing groups of objects using key language such as 'more' and 'a lot' or 'not many'.

Shape, space and measure

Throughout our daily routine we will begin talking about the immediate past and future, e.g. 'before', 'later' or 'soon'.

During play, will be identifying and naming different colours, shapes (circles, squares and triangles), and patterns within our environment. We will compare different sized objects and talk about which are smallest/biggest.

Books

I Like Myself! - By Karen Beaumont

Bramble the Brave - By Amber Stewart

We will also be exploring the 'Everybody Feels....' Range by Moira Butterfield as well as many other fantastic texts.

Growth Mindset

Charlie the Curiosity Star

Homework

For the first half term your child's homework:

- To share books at home, encourage your child to handle books, turn pages themselves, and talk about what they can see in the pictures.
- Practise singing 'Tommy Thumb' and finding their appropriate fingers.
- Play with playdough, practise squeezing, rolling and pinching the dough. Use your imagination to create different objects with the playdough – we would love to see pictures of your creations over Tapestry! 😊

Understanding the World

People and communities

We will be getting to know each other by talking about our likes, dislikes, our families and how we are the same or different from one another. We will learn to recognise ways in which we are unique. We will be using the home corner as part of our role play to enable us to act out our experiences with our friends.

The World

We will create and explore small world models of farms, train tracks and dolls houses, using our personal experience to guide us. We will have lots of discussions about things we notice around us such as natural objects, plants and animals.

Technology

In technology we will playing and exploring with materials to observe cause and effect.

Physical Development

Moving and Handling

Throughout the half term we will be exploring the outdoor climbing areas and developing confidence in using the Jungle Gym. We will work develop our strength and coordination through activities like hammering and pouring. We will begin to develop our fine motor skills through activities such as using playdough to strengthen our fingers and by drawing lines and circles in different media such as glitter, sand and paint. We will be practicing holding writing equipment with 3 fingers and exploring which hand we prefer to use when writing.

Health and Self Care

Our focus this term is to put our coats on, unzip them and take off our shoes on our own. We will also be focusing on attending to toileting needs independently. We will begin to learn how to recognise some dangers and seek help from the adults that we know when needed.

Expressive Arts and Design

Using media and material

We will be sharing and singing our favourite songs as well as exploring the different sounds that we can make with instruments. We will explore a range of creative materials and talk about what we have created.

Being Imaginative

We will be using small world and role play areas like our stage and home corner to help us continue to develop our imagination.

Class Blog –

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