

Half Term Curriculum Overview

Growing and Changing



Nursery Autumn 2 - 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 have a range of fine motor activities available daily. Including peg boards, tweezers and our usual favourite – playdough!

Maths

Number

During play we constantly have the opportunity to model counting and comparing quantities. Over this half term we will continue to practice counting to 5. We will begin to consider how quantities might change if we add more objects or take away objects. We will be comparing groups of objects using key language such as 'more' and 'a lot' or 'not many'. We will do this through resources readily available during child-initiated play.

Shape, space and measure

We will continue to develop our understanding of the routine. Throughout our daily routine we will talk about the immediate past and future, e.g. 'before', 'later' or 'soon'.

During play, we 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.

Focus Books

The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle

Oliver's Vegetables by Vivian French

Stick Man by Julia Donaldson

Growth Mindset

Kanye the Kindness Star

Homework

For this half term your child's homework is:

- To share books at home, encourage your child to handle books, turn pages themselves, and talk about what they can see in the pictures.
- To go on nature walks – see what different things you can find!
- To practice putting their jacket on and taking it off independently.

Understanding the World

People and communities

We will continue to celebrate how unique we are. We will get to know each other more by comparing our likes and dislikes and talk about what is special to us. We will have the opportunity to role play and act our experiences such as making tea in the home corner.

The World

This half term we have introduced the Curiosity Cube. Each week there will be different focus objects in the cube which will serve as talking points. We will be looking at and talking about how things grow and change.

Technology

In technology we will be 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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