

Communication and Language Development

We will...

- listen to others during circle time
- begin to follow simple instructions such as find your coat and get a hat.
- listen to stories with increasing attention and recall
- talk in simple sentences to link our thoughts and ideas
- begin to understand 'why and how' questions
- recall past events through sharing our holiday diaries.

Literacy Development:

We will...

- develop favourite stories and rhymes
- listen and join in with stories and poems,
- join in with repeated refrains and anticipate key events and phrases in rhymes and stories
- listens to stories with increasing recall
- look at books independently
- hold books the correct way up and turn pages
- distinguish between the different marks they make

Key dates for your diary

25th January - Toddler Group
8th February - Toddler Group
9th February School closes for half term re- opens Monday 19th February 2018

Reminder:

World Book Day 2018 - 1st March 2018. Children will come into Nursery dressed up as their favourite story characters.

Expressive Arts and Design:

We will...

- enjoy joining in with dancing and ring games
- begin to move rhythmically
- explore colour and how colours can be changed
- capture experiences and responses with a range of media such as music, dance and paint and other materials or words

Mathematical Development:

We will...

- show an interest in shape
- begin to categorise objects according to properties such as shape or size.
- be reciting number names in sequence to 5/10.
- use some language of quantities such as more, a lot, fewer
- begin to understand that a group of things changes in quantity when something is added or taken away.
- begin to understand that numbers identify how many objects are in a set.
- beginning to represent numbers using fingers marks on paper or pictures.
- begin to show an interest in number problems

Nursery 2018 - Spring 1

What will the children learn?



What's Changing?

Physical Development

We will ...

- be completing our (dressing with help)
3 Steps to Success challenge -
 - Finding our coat
 - Putting our coat on
 - Fastening our coat
- observe the effects of activity on our bodies during our activities on - Physical Friday
- begin to run skilfully negotiating spaces successfully, adjusting speed or direction to avoid obstacles
- draw simple shapes such as circles and lines
- begin to develop our hold and the use of tweezers and scissors

Understanding the World:

We will...

- show an interest in the lives of people who are familiar to us
- show an interest in different occupations and ways of life.
- show care and concern for living things in the environment.
- remember and talk about significant events from their own experiences
- begin to notice detailed features of objects in their environment
- explore different types of technology

Personal Social and Emotional Development:

We will...

- show an interest in other play and start to join in
- seek out others to share experiences
- welcome praise for what we have done
- enjoy responsibility of carrying out small tasks
- follow the Nursery rules and routines
- plan our play, thinking of a plan, selecting what resources we need to carry out our plan
- begin to accept the needs of our friends taking turns and sharing the toys

Complete a Christmas Diary with your child



Please add photographs of activities you have done together during the Christmas holiday
For example - Go on a Winter walk, talk about the frost on the ground and the trees without their leaves.
Talk about what clothes you wear in Winter.
Write a short comment next to the photograph to help your child recall events of their holiday in Nursery.



Take part in the...

10 Things to do in



Challenge!

(with a focus on technology)



We will be developing a new word wall. If your child learns a new amazing word, fact or phrase, please write it on a speech bubble to stick on our wall. This could be related to our topic of Winter or about the animals in the story - One Snowy Night.



For the first week back -

Please bring in a photograph of any pets or animals you have at home, for us to look at and talk about.



Please complete a 'Wow' slip when something wonderful has happened at home

Examples -

- Sam managed to fasten his coat all by himself.
- Today Sam was very helpful tidying up his toys before tea!
- Sam remembered to show good manners



Nursery 2018 - Spring 1 Home/ School Challenges What will the children learn?



What's Changing?



We will be developing a Veterinary Surgery Role-Play and if we are lucky, we will have a visit from a Vet.



The children will be -

- talking about their own pets and animals from home
- taking on the role of a Vet and talking about how Vets help animals.

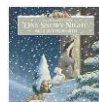
If your child has a story about caring for pets or animals please send it into Nursery for us to share.



Reminders

- Please make sure that your child has a spare change of clothing in Nursery every day.
- Please send your child to Nursery with a warm coat and suitable footwear **every day**. The weather is changeable and the children will be outdoors in all weathers, every day.
- Please send in a pair of named Wellingtons for your child to wear in Nursery. They can stay under your child's coat peg.
- Please label all of your child's clothing (including coats).
- Water bottles in school should contain **water**. Please **do not** put juice, flavoured water or fizzy drinks into your child's water bottle.

Our Topic book this term is -



'One Snowy Night' by Nick Butterworth.

It would be great if you could learn something about the animals in the story to share with your Key Group.



Continue to support our ... 'Share a Book at Bedtime' challenge!



- Share a story at bedtime
- Complete at book review
- Take a photograph to add to our Share a Book display board.
- Choose another story together
- Complete 10 books to win a book to take home