



CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term 2 2023

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Well, the weather might be wet and grey but we have an exciting half term planned in nursery! Everyone has settled into nursery so well, and we are so impressed with how independent our children are. We will continue with our phonics teaching through Little Wandle and there will be some information on this shared with parents during our Christmas 'Stay and Play.' Our topic the first few weeks is 'Welcome Autumn' and then we will be doing all things Christmas! We will be learning about Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, Diwali, and of course Christmas. We can't wait to share our Christmas Concert with you all!



Communication & Language

- Use longer sentences of four to six words.
- Be able to express a point of view and to debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words as well as actions.
- Can start a conversation with an adult or a friend and continue it for many turns.
- Use talk to organise themselves and their play: "Let's go on a bus... you sit there... I'll be the driver."

Personal, social & Emotional

Development

- Help my friends to choose snack or have milk/water.
- Help to wash up the snack pots, to build my sense of responsibility and belonging to the nursery community.
- Help to collect lunch time orders to build my sense of responsibility and belonging to the nursery community.

Literacy

- Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary
- Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. For example: writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page; write 'm' for mummy.
- Write some or all of their name.
- Write some letters accurately.

Mathematics

- Explore colour and colour mixing
- Say 1 number name for each item 1,2,3,4,5
- Show an awareness of similarities and differences in objects
- Make comparisons between objects relating to shape: this one is flat and this one is not flat.

Expressive Arts & Design

- Remember and sing entire songs.
- Create closed shapes with continuous lines and begin to use these shapes to represent objects.
- Show different emotions in their drawings and paintings like happiness, sadness, fear etc.

Physical Development

- Use tools in a range of ways to create change, such as rolling pins and cutters. Climbing and balancing activities in the garden to extend their gross motor skills and fine motor skills in their hands (climbing)
- Identify a dominant hand where possible.
- Move items safely, with help from an adult.

Useful Information

Dates for the diary:

Friday 17th November—Children in Need : Children in nursery and school are invited to wear something spotty

Tuesday 5th December—We will be walking to the Town Hall to visit Santa

Friday 8th December—Christmas lunch

Please note change of date

Nursery Christmas performances will be held on

Wednesday 6th November—9.30—11.30am

And

Friday 8th December 12.30—2..30pm

Daily Movement

Nursery have hall time on Mondays and Tuesdays. We use this for running, throwing, catching and movement skills. We also have Dough Disco and Squiggle While You Wiggle, where we focus on building the muscles we need for writing. We won't be getting changed for these activities so nursery children do not need a PE kit.

Nursery Library

We will be continuing with our nursery library. Children are developing a love of reading and they enjoy changing their books each week. Please make sure the reading folder is returned when you would like to change your child's book for the week. Thank you :)

