

Literacy

We will be reading the following stories:

'Three Billy Goats Gruff' by Mara Alperin and 'Percy the Park Keeper' by Nick Butterworth. The children will explore a wide range of different animals and will learn new vocabulary to name and describe animals and their offspring. They will also join in with stories and poems during one-toone sessions and in small groups and give meaning to marks as they draw and play.

Mathematics

The children will be focusing on:

Year - Nursery

- ♦ Comparing quantities using language: 'more than' and 'fewer/less' than.
- ♦ They will be using some number names and number language spontaneously, especially in play.
- ♦ Number formation (gross motor) using paint, using fingers in the sand, white board and interactive board.

Understanding the World

The children will:

- ♦ Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.
- ♦ Explore the natural world by looking closely at living things.
- ♦ Understand and explore that animals are living things that grow and change over time.

Physical Development

The children will:

- ♦ Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils.
- ♦ Continue with drawing recognisable figures.
- ♦ 'Write' their name at every opportunity using name cards.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will be:

- ♦ Developing an understanding of how others might be feeling.
- Using speech with others to solve conflicts.
- ♦ Increasing independence to meet their own care needs.

Communication and Language

The children will:

- ♦ Use the sounds learnt so far to help develop their pronunciation.
- ♦ Explore structured and unstructured discussions linked to books, topics, routines, events etc.
- ♦ Develop how to use longer sentences of four to six words and be able to express their point of view.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will be:

- ♦ Creating their own songs or improvise a song around one they know.
- ♦ Moving to music and acting out stories and songs.
- ♦ Creating closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects.

Personal Social Health Education (PSHE)

The children will be learning:

- ♦ To explain how to keep themselves clean and healthy and explain why it is important.
- ♦ To identify the people in their family and explain where they can get help.
- ♦ To identify and explore how to manage feelings.

Ideas for home to support

- ♦ Use a ball to practice rolling, kicking and throwing skills.
- Discuss with your child feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', and 'angry' or 'worried'.
- ♦ Support your child in becoming independent as they get dressed and undressed.