

## Summer Term 1

Staff:

**Mrs. Gough**

**Mrs. Saunders**

**Mrs. Callaghan**

**Mrs. Mannion**

### Literacy

This half term, we'll be continuing to learn some of the Read, Write Inc. sounds (m, a, s, d, t, l, n, p, g, o, c, k). We'll also be using 'Fred Talk', and learning to orally blend simple words, such as m-oo-n. We will continue to strengthen our writing muscles and read lots of books (including information texts)

# Nursery Learning Block 5



**Longmoor**  
Community Primary School

## Communication & Language

We follow the NELI programme, and our books and special words this half term are:

- Pip and Posy: The New Friend (sea, beach, collect, dig)
- Dinosaur Rocket (moon, brave, splash, quiet)
- Jack and the Beanstalk (decide, swap, yell, follow)
- Nothing Can Frighten a Bear (frightened, stuck, deep, wriggle)
- Franklin Frog (grow, push, jump, protect)
- The Knight Who Said 'No!' (polite, always, whisper, lonely)

## Writing

**Early writing (hand strengthening) exercises (using Letterjoin):**

**Elbow and forearm control for our youngest children (windmill wings, dough disco, ribbon dancing, climbing, giant tracing, squeezing)**

**Tripod grip, tool control and Letterjoin letter families for those children moving to Reception in September 2026 (long ladders, spurs, humps, caterpillars, waves, one-armed robots, coiling springs, loops and 'flip and grip')**

## PSED

- Developing confidence
- Being brave
- Rules!
- Finding my calm...
- Patience
- Teamwork
- Resilience

## Understanding the World

- 'On the Move' – learning how transport has changed, focusing on a different mode each week (road, space, rail, air, bikes/scooters, water)
- Focusing on different celebrations and festivals – Vaisakhi (Sikhism, 14<sup>th</sup> April), St. George's Day (England, 23<sup>rd</sup> April), Vesak (Buddhism, 10<sup>th</sup> May), World Bee Day (Environment, 20<sup>th</sup> May), Shavuot (Judaism, 21st-23rd May), Father's Day (21<sup>st</sup> June)
- Taking digital photographs
- Cogs and wheels

## Expressive Art and Design

Nursery rhymes:

- Jack and Jill
- Incy Wincy Spider
- Five Little Men/Currant Buns/Ducks/Frogs
- Wheels on the Bus
- Humpty Dumpty
- Row, Row, Row Your Boat

In Art, we'll be exploring charcoal, splatter painting, collage, landscapes (bird's eye views), 'junk' modelling and tyre printing.

We will also be designing and making paper planes and model boats (cork rafts) in Design Technology, exploring how things work.

## Maths

- Sequencing
- Positional language
- 2D shape
- 3D shape
- More than / Fewer than

## Physical Development

- rolling a ball to a target
- stopping a rolling ball
- accuracy when throwing to a target
- bouncing and catching a ball
- dribbling a ball
- kicking a ball
- Lots of fine motor skill activities to strengthen our writing muscles

## Dates for the diary:

Nursery Home Visits – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April (NURSERY CLOSED BOTH DAYS)

Nursery Open Day – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May (NURSERY CLOSED ALL DAY)

Break up – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Return to Nursery – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June