

EYFS Half-termly Letter Summer 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

During this term the focus topics in Nursery will be 'Down on the farm and terrific tales.' We will be providing opportunities to stimulate the children's curiosity, understanding, knowledge and imagination. Through observations we will follow the children's interests, this may lead us to look in more detail at:

- Talking about the different animals we may see at a farm.
- Exploring other animals and where they may live.
- Reading different fairytales such as goldilocks and three bears and the gingerbread man.

We will continue to follow the children's interests to provide further learning experiences.

RE topics for the term are:

GOOD NEWS - Passing on the Good News of Jesus

Islam - Special objects

FRIENDS - Friends of Jesus

OUR WORLD - God's wonderful world

Personal, Social, Emotional Development.	We will explore different emotions through pictures relating to real life situations.	Talk about the emotions your child has at home.
Percent. Social Development Development	The children will be encouraged to go to the toilet and wash their hands independently. Children will be encouraged to put their coats on independently and attempt to zip their own coat.	Encourage your child to go to the toilet and wash their hands independently at home. Encourage your child to put their own coat on.
Communication and	Children will be encouraged to answer what,	Continue to read stories with your child at home to
Language.	where, who and how questions.	develop listening and attention skills.
	We will continue to read a range of stories in the classroom, asking questions when appropriate.	Continue to sing nursery rhymes at home to develop their language skills.
	Children to continue to follow 2 or 3 part instructions.	Encourage your child to follow 2 or 3 part instructions e.g. wash dolly's face
		Ask your child where objects may be in the house.
	Children will be encouraged to use prepositional language within their play such as in, on and under.	Is it in the jar, under the bed etc.
Physical Development.	We will be catching and throwing a ball in a variety of ways.	Practice throwing and catching a ball at home.

Prysical Development	We will be moving in different ways e.g. crawling, rolling, sliding etc. There will be a range of mark-making activities for the children to access such as drawing, whiteboards, sand area and junk modelling. Children will write their names daily encouraging the children to hold their pencil between their first two fingers and thumb and use it with good control.	 Play a game to move around the house in different ways. Create your own pictures and artwork at home. Put pictures on seesaw for us to see and your child can talk to their friends about this. Encourage your child to write their names at home focussing on their letter formation and how they hold their pencil/pen.
Understanding the World.	We will continue to use our daily timetable, so the children understand what is happening now and next. We will be using our nursery bear which a child can take home and show what they do at home on a weekend. We will be discussing how humans can grow and how we have grown over time.	Talk to your child about what you will do today or things you may see on your way to school. When you have the nursery bear, encourage your child to show the bear where they live, what is their favourite toy and who lives in their family. Show pictures of your child as a baby and how they have grown over time.

	We will be looking at different places and people around the world and how they are different and similar to us.	
Literacy.	The children will continue tracing over their names, developing their pencil control.	Encourage your child to write their first name at home.
	There will be a range of books available for the children to access within the room and	Read stories with your child at home.
	explore individually or with an adult.	Video's will be put on seesaw to support phonics at home.
	Within phonics, children will start to orally	
	blend and segment CVC words.	Encourage your child to recognise their name at home. This could be from something personalised or
	Children will be encouraged to recognise their names on their pegs.	from you writing their name and another person's name.
	The children will be encouraged to explain what they have made when mark making or drawing.	Draw pictures at home encouraging your child to explain what they have made.

Mathematics.	We will be encouraging the children to sort objects by size and colour.	Sort objects at home.
Mathematics	We will provide opportunities for the children to recognise the numerals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Continue to subitise to 5 - knowing the number from looking not counting individually.	If you see a number from 1-5 ask your child if they can identify the number they see. Number games to 5 - subitising, counting, finding 5 objects and counting backwards.
Expressive Arts and Design.	The children will be encouraged to use colours for a purpose, e.g. using brown for a horse not pink.	Encourage your child to draw at hoe using colours for a purpose. Join in with their role play ideas at home
Epesave ers and deign	Encouraging children to create their own story within their role play.	encouraging their imagination. Encourage your child to describe what they have
	When the children have drawn a picture, we will ask them what they have drawn.	drawn when they have created a picture.

We will continue to use the seesaw class app as a platform for the children to complete homework as well as sharing some of their work from school. Can we also remind parents/carers to download the Seesaw families app as this will allow you to see your child's completed work and also any important messages.

Thank you for your continued support.