

As communicators...

We will be encouraged to show 'good listening' during all carpet time inputs and we will hear some key stories more than once so that we can remember them and tell them ourselves. We will be encouraged to take turns to speak in small groups and to join in conversations. The adults in Nursery will model how to say the words and sounds that we find difficult and they will encourage us to express our own thoughts and feelings.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This first half term is all about learning our Nursery routines (revisiting for our older children). We are learning how to line-up and to tidy up, how to be a good listener, to say please and thank you, when and how to wash our hands and how to brush our teeth - all good steps in gaining independence. The adults in Nursery help us to share, take turns, resolve our problems and best of all, make new friends!

Physical Development

We can access both indoor and outdoor areas during our play and there lots of space in which we can negotiate and practice our gross motor movements. We also have access to a variety of fine-motor activities both indoors and outdoors and we are encouraged to use them. We will follow 'Squiggle whilst you wiggle' activities every day to help develop our upper body and arm strength and we will also access the hall for whole class P.E./Music and Movement sessions.

Vocabulary

We will be introduced to new words and their meanings and encouraged to use them to develop our vocabulary. We have a focus word(s) each week. This terms words are – more, less, fewer, large, small, home, family, as well as colour names and number names.

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All About Me!

How do I look? What do I like?
How do I feel? Who do I live with?
How have I grown?

Visits /Celebrations

As part of our topic this half term we will walk around our school environment to find out where things are. We will also look beyond our school perimeter.

It is St Teresa's Feast-day on October 1st

Expressive Art & Design

We will use mirrors to observe and look at our features to paint a self-portrait. We will be encouraged to select and use appropriate colours and we will be supported in using equipment properly. We will take part in singing daily, we will listen to different types of music and we will be introduced to simple percussion instruments. During hall time we will move expressively to music and create art work to music too.

As readers and writers...

We will sing Nursery Rhymes daily to encourage our memory and recall. We will hear a story at least once a day but usually more and we have many books we can look at on our own or share with an adult throughout the day. We will be encouraged to recall stories, talk about our favourite parts of the story and answer simple questions about them. There is plenty of mark-making materials around Nursery for us to record our ideas.

In our daily group work we will be focusing on aural discrimination-hearing and identifying all sorts of different

As Mathematicians...

We will be singing number rhymes within our daily singing and we will practise counting-by-rote accurately to number 10 and beyond in our daily routines. We will be using our fingers to represent small numbers and we will compare sets to see who has more. We will also be learning about colour, size and making comparisons.

As explorers...

We will take our first steps as historians, scientists and geographers by answering and asking questions about ourselves. We will look at our baby photos and talk about how we have changed and what we are able to do now we are 3 and 4 years old. We will make observations and comparisons with other people we know – who has the same eye and hair colour, who is taller?

Getting out into our environment will start conversations about the buildings we see and the places we go to. We will observe the changes in nature as we get further into Autumn

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In our R.E. work we will learn to say our name and our family name. We will come to know that God knows our name and that we are precious to God. We will start to learn to make the sign of the cross in our daily prayers and we will come to know that we are talking to God.