

St Thomas More R.C. Primary - Nursery Class  
 What I am Learning - 'Colours and Pets' - Summer 1  
 Text: 'My Colourful Chameleon'

| Area of Learning                                  | Activities  | Area of Learning   | Activities   |
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| <b>Communication and Language</b>                 | After returning from lockdown we will continue to encourage the children to develop their speaking and listening skills in small and larger group situation. We will be discussing our favourite colours, pets that children have and pets they would like. We will discuss about how we should treat animals and our pets.   | <b>Mathematics:</b><br>Numbers & Shape,<br>Space and Measure | This half term, we will be focussing on recognising numbers, counting to 10 and counting out number of objects accurately. We will look at number recognition activities playing games such as 'number bingo'. We will also look at separating two equal groups of objects and modelling how they each have the same amount.   |
| <b>Physical Development</b>                       | We will be continuing to encourage physical development both indoors and out. We will continue with fine motor sessions that will help the children to develop the muscles in our hands and arms to help us to hold and use pencils correctly. We are very lucky to have Mrs Pennils start PE with us on a Friday morning to encourage our gross motor skills further.  | <b>Understanding the World</b>                               | We will continue to explore and look at any changes in our outdoor environment. We will continue to use the Interactive Whiteboard and using them to support our topic work. We now have a Vets role play area for the children to recreate different roles to care for their pets.  |
| <b>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</b> | We will encourage discussions about our text 'My Colourful Chameleon' and talk about how the characters in the text are feeling throughout. We will be discussing our favourite colours, pets that children have and pets they would like. We will discuss about how we should treat animals and how we look after our pets.  | <b>Expressive Arts and Design</b>                            | This half term, we will be encouraging the children to explore and use different media and materials in their creative work in particular exploring colour. We will also be creating other pieces of artwork throughout the term in response to our topic e.g. creating our own pets using paper plates and using junk model to create houses for our pets. During the month of May we will be creating our very own flower crowns just like Mary wears. |
| <b>Literacy: Reading &amp; Writing</b>            | We will explore our text 'My Colourful Chameleon' making predictions about the story, talking about the setting, characters. We will be sharing stories and books related to our topic and we will be encouraging the children to listen carefully and respond appropriately. In the Reading corner, both indoors and out, there will be all different 'Pet books' and other stories for the children to explore. | <b>Outdoor Provision</b>                                     | As part of our continuous provision, the children will be accessing the outdoor area every day. Please ensure your child has a pair of wellingtons in school and a warm waterproof coat. We will encourage role play by adding 'Pet masks' to our outdoor area. We will have opportunities to move freely around the outdoor area in a variety of ways – creating obstacle courses etc.  |

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