



Curriculum Newsletter



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Nursery



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This is a big half term for a lot of our Nursery children and we will be preparing them for the transition to Reception by spending time in the Reception environment, meeting the Reception Team and answering any questions they (or you have). Alongside this we will continue to develop friendships and turn taking skills and building resilience.

Our Topic:

How does your garden grow?...butterflies, bugs and beetles!

In this topic we will be looking at the minibeasts we find in our local environment as well as keeping an eye on the planting we have done this term.

Communication and Language

We will be linking our language development to our topic by learning about minibeast names alongside other topic related words such as habitat and features of minibeasts. We will continue to develop knowledge of specific concepts through weekly 'Concept Cat' sessions - these are always added to our weekly roundup on Tapestry so you can support at home.

Physical Development

In PE we will be getting ready for our Sports morning as well as doing a range of minibeast dances. As some of our children are getting ready for Reception we will be having a big push on independence skills too.

Books we will be reading

The Very Hungry Caterpillar
Superworm
Yucky Worms
The Very Busy Spider
The Bad Tempered Ladybird

Literacy

We will be using some really well loved stories this half term to develop our storytelling skills - making up our own stories by changing aspects of the ones we know.

Understanding the World

We will be looking closely at a range of minibeast - naming and describing their key features as well as sorting them and looking at their life cycles. At Forest School we will look at the minibeast habitats and go on hunts to discover where they like living best.

Expressive Arts and Design

Our art work will be inspired by the minibeasts we are learning about as well as the natural world around us. We will dance and move like minibeasts as well as learning songs and poems about our favourite minibeasts.

Mathematics

In Maths we will be developing our subitising skills by looking at amounts within amounts; using the questions 'What do you see and How do you see it?' to support our growing calculation skills.

Forest School Dates

Forest School will continue to run on a Tuesday morning;
Tuesday 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th June
Tuesday 4th, 11th, 18th July
Please ensure your child comes to school with arms and legs covered e.g. leggings/joggers and long sleeved t shirts/jumpers. All waterproofs and wellies should now be back in school, please check with staff if you're unsure.

Weather

We use the outdoors daily and the children need to be suitably dressed to access this.

Please keep an eye on the weather, and send your children to school appropriately dressed, this includes their footwear. All suncream should be applied prior to the start of the day and a named sun hat should be available.

What does your child need to bring to Nursery

Daily;

- a named water bottle (not in the book bag)
- a book bag

Half Termly (these can stay at Nursery):

- spare clothes in a named bag
- wellington boots (named) in a named bag

Please name all items of clothing.

Home Learning

Nursery Rhymes - singing rhymes is a great way to support your child's Literacy skills. The BBC have some lovely compilations which can be found on YouTube (search - BBC Nursery Rhymes).

Bedtime Stories - reading is a great way to develop a range of skills and share a special few minutes with your child. Please try and build this into your bedtime routine and let us know your favourite stories!

Don't forget to keep an eye on Tapestry for extra Home Learning Challenges and please continue sharing all the exciting things you do at home too!