



# Curriculum Newsletter



**Mrs Thompson-Yates  
Miss Lunnon**

## Nursery



**Autumn 1 2023**

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We are learning to settle into Nursery routines and find where to put our belongings. We will be learning the names of the other children in Nursery and beginning to play with them and build friendships.

### Our Topic:

## All About Me!

Find ideas for Home Learning on the next page.

### Mathematics

We will be exploring size and using the language 'big' and 'small'. We will be matching objects by size, colour, shape or amount. We will also look to compare amounts to see which has more or fewer.

### Physical Development

We will take part in P.E. lessons. We will learn to take our shoes and socks on and off, find a space in the hall and move safely around the space in different ways. We will take part in 'Dough Disco' to build our core and fine motor muscles.

### Books we will be reading

Harry and his Bucket of Dinosaurs go to School by Ian Whybrow  
Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes by Helen Oxenbury  
Peace at Last by Jill Murphy  
Owl Babies by Martin Waddell  
The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson  
The Squirrels Who Squabbled by Rachel Bright

### Communication and Language

We will be building our vocabulary about our bodies, our houses and our families. We will be exploring the concept of 'who' during Nursery Narrative and looking at who is in Nursery and who is in stories we read.

### Understanding the World

We will explore our senses - hear, see and touch. We will find out about our bodies and name body parts - particularly our faces. We will explore how the season changes into Autumn and how wildlife in Britain keep themselves safe from predators.

### Expressive Arts and Design

We will explore play dough, mark making with pens and pencils, creating paintings with brushes and sponges. We will explore footprints and how we can make them with paints.

### Literacy

We will be looking at a range of stories and enjoying our daily 'Story Bell' where an adult will lead a story time for children to join in the book corner. We will link stories to our learning to develop vocabulary.



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## Home Learning

### All About Me!

Talk about who is in your family. Family who you live with and maybe family who you visit.

- You could draw or paint a picture of your family - don't forget to include pets.
- You could look at photos of your family and share these on Tapestry so we can look at them with your friends in Nursery.

### Nursery Rhymes

We will be singing lots of nursery rhymes this half term. Please practise and sing them at home. You could make a nursery rhyme box or bag to use at home. Collect or draw pictures of the characters from nursery rhymes or gather together toys representing the characters for you to choose and sing along to.

[Click here for - Ideas for a Nursery Rhyme Sack.](#)

### Bedtime Stories

We will begin to send home a book each week for you to share at home with your child. These will be sent in book bags so please make sure your child brings their book bag into Nursery. They will also have a reading diary where they can draw a picture about the book they are reading - perhaps their favourite character from the story.

Please share your home learning and as well as new experiences on **Tapestry** so your child can share this at school with their teachers and friends.

## Reminders

### Key Dates

Tuesday 26th September, 9-9:30am - Parents Coffee Morning - Physical/Writing with Mrs Yarranton

Thursday 5th October, 9-9:30am **or** 3-3:30pm - Share, Learn and Play session.


Please see leaflet about these and book in with Mrs Thompson-Yates for the Share, Learn and Play.

### P.E.

P.E. is on Mondays and Tuesday  
Please send your child wearing leggings or joggers on these days.

### Tapestry

Children's observations are added and we have a Weekly Roundup for you to see what we have been up to during the week. Please look out for these and add in your own home observations. Here is support on how to do this -

 Tapestry - Parents Information 2023

### 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.

### Drinks Bottles

These need to be brought into Nursery daily. Please ensure they are named.