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### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We have enjoyed getting to know our new friends in Nursery. We are learning how to look after our new nursery, follow rules and routines and get along with each other. We will continue to talk about our emotions and the emotions of others.

### Our Topic:

## Colour, Pattern and Shape

### Communication and Language

We will be learning the concepts, *small, on top, in front, out, bottom* with the help of Concept Cat.  
We will continue to follow our listening rules, *look at the person who is talking, sitting still, listening to ALL of the words, being quiet*. Being a good listener is really important!

### Physical Development

We will continue to develop our core muscles, moving over, under and around large equipment in our garden and also in the hall during P.E. We will also take part in Write Dance activities, using mark making tools on large paper to draw a variety of different lines, circles and shapes.

### Books we will be reading

Our texts this half term will include;

- The Mixed Up Chameleon by Eric Carle
- The Perfect Fit by Naomi Jones
- I Went Walking by Sue Williams
- Pattern Fish by Trudy Harris
- Hattie Peck by Emma Levey

### Literacy

We are learning to discriminate between sounds by playing games such as matching musical instruments. We are learning to listen for syllables in spoken words by clapping or counting them.

### Understanding the World

We will continue to explore natural materials as loose parts in our environment. We will explore our forest school and talk about patterns in nature.

### Expressive Arts and Design

We will continue to explore colour and colour mixing using paint, chalks, food colouring and other materials.  
We will continue to explore our new nursery environment, engaging in imaginative play. We will use resources to create small worlds and take on roles in our home corner which is currently a kitchen.

### Mathematics

We will continue to sing songs, counting objects to 3 such as *3 Little Ducks* and reciting numbers to 10.  
We will be looking at 2D shapes - circle, triangle, square, rectangle and talking about what they look like and how we can identify them.

### PE

P.E. day for nursery is Tuesday.  
Please send your child wearing leggings or joggers on these days.  
It would also be useful for your child to wear footwear that they can take off and put on by themselves.

### Free Flow

We access our outside areas daily, with the doors open for free flow access during our play and learn sessions therefore suitable clothing is important, including footwear. Unfortunately this may mean that your washing pile grows each day but mess means the children are exploring their senses and having fun!

### Bedtime Stories

This half term we will continue to send home a storybook each Wednesday/Thursday for you to share at home with your child. These stories will be sent in book bags or large rucksacks only so please make sure your child brings this with them. We cannot send books home in small bags where the books may get bent.  
Don't forget to allow your children to draw pictures in their yellow/red book.

### Additional Information

All uniform, coats, bags and bottles need to be clearly named please. Gloves, scarves and hats also need names in as these can easily get lost.

Please encourage independence at home when getting dressed. The children love to be praised for putting on socks and shoes after P.E and also for putting on their jumpers and coats independently.

Please can we also remind you to send a separate named bag of spare clothing into nursery with your child should they need a change.