



Personal Social Emotional Development

We now have some puppets in Nursery helping to support our learning and behaviour. We have superheroes to inspire us and Puppy Pickles who needs a little extra support from the children!

Making Relationships: We are learning to play together, extending and elaborating play ideas. We are learning to negotiate, share and resolve conflict.

Self Confidence and Self Awareness: We are becoming confident to talk to other children when playing and communicate freely about our home and community. This term the children will take home our Travelling Bears and speak to other children about what they have done together.

Managing Feelings and Behaviour: We are talking about our feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', 'angry', 'worried'. We use mirrors, learn about facial expressions and think about how others might be feeling. We continue to have lots of free play and conversations with other children; circle time activities, board games and supportive books.

Growing

Summer term 1

2022

Texts

Key texts -

Jasper's beanstalk

Jack and the Beanstalk

Life cycles of butterflies and frogs - non fiction texts

The Big Bad Fish

Harry's Hazelnut (story sack)

Peter Rabbit

And lots of others!

Moving and Handling: We continue to use simple tools to help strengthen the muscles in our arms and fingers. We will use tools to manipulate the playdough to achieve a planned effect. We will use the hammers and tacks to create pictures and will be mark-making on a small and large scale.

Health and Self Care: We are starting to observe and talk about the effects of activity on our bodies. We continue to focus on good hygiene for good health, washing hands. We are learning to understand what we need to do to keep our bodies healthy and what foods we need to help us grow.



Communication and Language

Listening and Attention: We are learning to follow directions, being superheroes just like our puppets! We will be continuing our Lift off to Language programme and starting to play Fred Frog games as an introduction to Read Write inc as used throughout the school.

Understanding: We are learning to use and understand why and how questions. Through planting our beans and peas and caring for our plants we will engage in conversations and questioning to enhance our knowledge and understanding of what is happening.

Speaking: We are learning to use talk to connect our ideas and relive our past experiences, particularly our adventures with our Travelling Teddies! Throughout our free play we will engage in conversations and talk about what we are doing. We will discuss what we need to help our seeds grow expanding on our knowledge. We will talk about how we keep healthy and what foods are good for us and help us grow.

Literacy

Reading: We continue to look out for familiar signs and logos around Nursery. We are learning to recognise own names and showing an interest in other words we see around Nursery.

We are enjoying rhyming and rhythmic activities, using musical instruments accompany songs.

We listen to and join in with a rich variety of stories, poems and songs. We look at non-fiction books too and discuss what we read together. We will continue with our two Nursery rhymes of the week and we have actions to remind us about healthy food groups.

Writing: We continue discuss giving meaning to our marks and starting to listen out for sounds.

Mathematics

Number: This half term we are looking at the language of more or less. We continue to play counting games each day, often supported by our class superhero puppets. We are starting to realise that we can count anything. We will count out the seeds carefully when planting.

Space, Shape and Measure: We are learning to use shapes appropriately for tasks in our creative work and throughout our play. We are looking at patterns and are learning to order and sequence, such as when planning what we need to plant and care for our seeds. Also we will looking at the sequences of the life cycles of the butterfly and frog.

Understanding the World

People and Communities: We are talking about special times with our family and friends and discussing our adventures with our Travelling Teddies.

The World: We are developing an understanding of growth and decay. We will be looking at what is needed to help our plants grow and what happens after the plant has produced flowers, fruit or veg. We will be looking at the life cycles of butterflies and frogs and will have live caterpillars to watch in the classroom!

Technology: Ipads available on timer, with simple games to develop dragging and clicking skills.

Expressive Arts and Design

Exploring and Using Media and Materials: We will use spades, forks and watering cans to dig the soil and plant our seeds and plants and feed them. We will be using simple tools to manipulate materials, such as playdough. We will have free choice of painting, cutting sticking, junk modelling and various collage materials to develop creativity.

Being Imaginative: We will support role-play experiences with a range of resources, such the Giant's house in our outside area, our home corner and various small world toys.

We will explore our stories with art, music and drama.

Phonics

This term will be introducing Fred Frog, as part of the Read Write inc phonics programme which is used throughout the school. Fred Talk games help us to break down words into separate sounds in preparation for learning to read and write in the Reception class. All activities on offer are tailored to the needs of the individual children.

