

YEAR GROUP OVERVIEW

Nursery – Spring 2

Topic – My World, Your World

My World, Your World This half term we will be looking at ourselves, our families and any pets we have. We will look at our community, environment and our wider world. We will celebrate special occasions including Mother's Day and Easter.

Communication and Language (Speaking and Listening)

Communication and language are fundamental parts of early years development. To encourage and develop their skills we will be continuing to introduce weekly 'wondrous words' that are linked to the fiction or non-fiction book that we will be reading that week. This aims to introduce new vocabulary enabling the children to build on their existing vocabulary.

Children will continue to develop skills to use longer sentences, talk about something that has happened yesterday and ask and answer lots of questions.

We will also be continuing to use snack time as a rich source of communication skills by interacting with each other and using their manners.

Literacy (Reading and Writing)

Children will enjoy listening and taking part in an arrange of stories specially picked for the topic such as We are family, The trouble with grandad, Only one you, aaarrgghh spider and Weather. We will continue to look at books and understand that they can give us information.

We will be introducing rhythm and rhyme by pointing out and asking children if they can hear the rhyming words in stories, in games and in rhyming strings.

World book day we will encourage children to bring in their favourite story from home to share with each other and with an adult.

Children will have plenty of opportunities to continue to develop their marking making skills in a variety of ways. We will encourage children to identify what their paintings or drawing mean.

Maths (Number and Shape, Space and Measure)

In Maths we will be sorting and categorising objects according to properties such as shape or size. Explore capacity using language such as full, empty and half full.

Develop on their language of size by ordering different sized objects and using a variety of size language such as small, tiny, large, tall, shorter and taller.

Children will continue to develop their subitizing to skills to 5. Subitizing is the ability to look at a small set of objects and instantly know how many there is without counting.

Personal Development (P.S.H.E.)

In PSHE children will build on their relationships with their peers, play cooperatively and continue develop turn taking skills. Show an understanding of their feelings and

the feelings of others. Continue to become confident in trying out new activities and show independence and resilience.

Understanding the World (Geography, History, Science and Computing)

In Understanding the world children will continue to learn how to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things including pets.

Children will be learning about different parts of their bodies by naming a few key parts. Children will also start to explore their different senses, smell, hear, touch, see and taste. We will start to learn and understand how we can stay healthy by eating healthily, getting a good night sleep, by washing hands and exercise.

Children will look at their family tree by talking about who lives in their house, about their family and extended family. Children will be encouraged to bring photographs of their family members including any pets.

We will also be looking for signs of spring in the outdoor area.

Expressive Arts (Art and Music)

This half term we will design and make our own pancakes. We will paint self portraits of ourselves. Create models of a house and add pictures of their family.

Use tissue paper to tear big and small pieces to use for collages. Explore making and using different shades of colours/paint.

Physical Development (P.E.)

Gross and fine motor skills are extremely important within early years development.

Daily dough disco and squiggle while you wriggle are key activities in developing good fine and gross motor skills.

Children this half term will be developing their hand eye coordination skills by track and retrieve a rolling ball, throwing and catching a variety of different sized balls and objects.

Nursery children will also be encouraged to put on their own wellies and waterproof clothing when playing outside. To be independent at snack time by pouring their own water or milk.

Religious Education (R.E.)

In Re THIS half term children will share special objects and photographs from home from home. We will be finding out about the Christian celebrations of Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day), Mother's Day and Easter.

More information

- Children are to come to school in their PE kits on a Thursday.
- We kindly ask for a weekly donation of £1 which will help buy extra snacks, ingredients for baking and to buy fruit and vegetables for tasting. You can pay this weekly or for the half term.
- All children are to bring a water bottle to school, clearly labelled.
- Please provide extra clothes in your child's bag in case of accidents.