

## Communication and Language

This term we will be continuing to focus on the children's understanding and speaking skills. They will be encouraged to answer and ask a variety of increasingly difficult questions.

We will be thinking about building a wider vocabulary and using this to retell our experiences and share information we have. We will be practising using a range of tenses in our talk and having conversations with others.

## Mathematics

We will show understanding of number by counting out given amounts and representing numbers in different ways.

We will be given opportunities to engage in number problems, asking questions, offering comments and comparing numbers to help us solve them.

We will continue to explore shape and size. We will think of different ways to describe different shapes. We will identify patterns and create our own ABAB patterns.

## Literacy

### Reading and Writing

We will be continuing to focus on Phase 1 phonics by thinking about alliteration and the sounds that are used at the beginning of words. We will be identifying these sounds in order to prepare us for Reception. We will also continue to think about rhyme and rhythm through poems and clap syllables in words.

Our Talk for Writing story will be Jack and the Beanstalk. The children will learn to retell the story using a story map. The children will also have a go at adapting the story. We will practise writing our name, trying to form the letters correctly.

## Physical Development

We will develop our ball skills through our PE sessions and outdoor play. We will also be practising our sports day races and taking part in team games

As we prepare ourselves for Reception we will focus on our fine motor skills and work on our pencil grip and control. We will take part in dance, music and rhythm activities, remembering sequences and patterns of movement.

We will be developing our independence in our self-care. We will be making sure that we can dress and toilet ourselves. As we engage in more physical activity outdoors we will be exploring the effect that exercise has on our bodies.

## Expressive Art and Design

We will be using what we have learned about music- pitch, melody and rhythm to make up our own rhythms and songs. We will use drawing to represent emotions, movement & noise. We will also create movement in response to music and use our movement to express our feelings.

We will continue to explore colours and texture through a range of hands on activities. We will use what we have learned about colour, texture and materials to create masterpieces from our own imaginations

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## Summer 2023

Our topic this term is

**'Growing'**

Our focus story will be 'Jack and the Beanstalk' & 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'

**The children's interests will continually be used to inform the direction which our topic takes.**

## Understanding the World

We will continue to explore our own environment, finding out what plants, animals and minibeasts live around us and what we can do to look after them. We will learn about life cycles and their key features.

We will think about ourselves and how we have grown and changed. We will be encouraged to think about those people who are important to us and special times that we have had. We will find about different occupations by learning about people who help us.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

As we near our move to Reception we will be encouraged to take turns, share ideas and extend play without adult intervention.

We will develop our confidence, becoming more outgoing towards unfamiliar people and in new situations. As our term becomes busier we will become used to adapting our behaviour to different events, situations and changes in our routine.

We will become more aware of the feelings of our friends and other people and what we can do to help them and how to solve conflicts.

We will learn how to make healthy choices about food, activity & tooth brushing.

## How you can help

Share books and stories regularly and ask your child questions about what you have read.

Encourage your child to be more independent in their self-care skills such as dressing

Please regularly look at your child's learning journey on Tapestry, encouraging them to talk about what they have been busy doing at Nursery.

*Thank you*