

## Communication and language

The children will be encouraged to join in Circle Times as they talk about their own experiences and items that are of importance to them.

We will develop the children's listening skills as they listen to stories from adults and their peers and are encouraged to respond appropriately.

We will help the children to retell traditional tales and encourage them to begin to change and adapt them using their imaginations and developing language. Each week the children will learn a new rhyme with actions.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will develop their confidence within Nursery and their friendships with other children. They will learn how to select and use resources indoors and outdoors. We will encourage the children to openly discuss their feelings. They will be encouraged to share and take turns in their play. They will begin to develop an awareness of things that are important to them and other people as they think about 'Celebrations' and their community.

The children will develop their independence in eating, drinking, brushing teeth, dressing and toileting.

## Physical Development

The children will have access to a range of small equipment to develop their fine motor skills. They will be encouraged to thread, build, use pegs and boards and participate in regular Dough Disco, Squiggle while you Wiggle and Flipper Flappers. To develop the children's gross motor skills they will use bikes outside to encourage them to pedal. They will be given opportunities to climb, run, jump and balance. We will consider how we can keep healthy- eating healthy foods, good oral hygiene, exercise.

## Literacy

We will be focusing on Phase 1 Phonics by encouraging children to listen to, make and talk about sounds, both in the environment and using instruments.

We will read a range of stories including traditional fairy tales, learning new vocabulary.

We will learn new weekly rhymes.

We will give the children a range of opportunities to develop their emergent writing skills and to understand that print has meaning. We will be encouraging them to ascribe meaning to their marks.

# NURSERY

## Autumn 2024

**Our topic this term is 'Traditional Tales and Rhymes', 'Shapes and colours' and 'Celebrations'**

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

## Expressive Art and Design

The children will be given many opportunities to paint and create objects and artwork of meaning to them using a variety of materials both indoors and outdoors. They will be encouraged to think about themselves before creating natural portraits.

During the first half term we will focus activities on a variety of different colours and colour mixing.

The children will have opportunity to interact with small world set ups and will learn how to create their own storylines in play.

The children will be encouraged to explore sound using instruments and objects in their environment. They will learn a range of Harvest, and Christmas themed songs

## Mathematics

The children will be encouraged to count numbers to 5 in sequence. We will help them to count using one-to-one correspondence while encouraging the children to recognise the last number reached is the total. We will work on developing fast recognition of up to 3 objects without counting them (subitising). As we think about birthdays we will look at numbers of personal significance to the children.

We will explore 2D shapes in our environment and will transfer our knowledge into our own work. We will think about size and weight as we follow recipes to create Harvest, Christmas and other seasonal dishes.

## Understanding the World

The children will be encouraged to explore the outdoor environment and a variety of materials using all of their senses. They will talk about the changes they see as the seasons change from summer to autumn and winter.

The children will think about people and events that are important to them and their cultures as we explore different festivals and celebrations.

## How you can help...

Please regularly look at your child's learning journey on Tapestry, encouraging them to talk about what they have been busy doing at Nursery. Please also upload photos of things they have been doing at home for them to share at Nursery. Regularly share a story with your child, giving them opportunities to talk about it.

*Thank you*