

This topic plan gives you an overview of some of the things that we will be learning about in nursery this half term to help you support your child's learning at home.

We also plan activities linked to children's interests which may not be included on this sheet.

Communication and Language/Literacy

- Introduce letter sounds using Jolly Phonics actions, stories and songs - 1 letter each week (this will be displayed on the notice board)
- Use name cards to support name writing.
- Mark-making in the writing area using a wide range of equipment.
- Early phonics games - listening games, rhyming games, oral blending.
- Naming and describing different materials.
- Naming and describing flowers, plants, fruit, vegetables etc.
- Naming a range of minibeasts.
- Describing a range of minibeast habitats and homes.
- Sharing fiction and non-fiction books relating to our topics, materials, growing, plants and minibeasts.
- Sharing minibeast stories, looking at information books about materials and minibeasts.
- Using the listening centre to listen to story CDs.

Physical Development

- Outdoor play - using bikes, creating obstacle courses, climbing equipment, balls, hoops, tunnels, etc.
- Fine motor skills activities e.g. tracing, cutting, threading, chopping etc.
- Dance and co-ordination activities using Activate and Sticky Kids and moving like animals.
- Using different construction kits e.g. Lego, Mobilo, Interstar, Duplo to create models.
- Using a range of different fixings and fastenings to join paper/card e.g. glue, masking tape, treasury tags, split pins.
- Using simple tools e.g. scissors, hole-punch, knives for spreading and chopping.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Encouraging sharing and turn-taking.
- Playing group games and activities, eg role-play, board games.
- Discussing how we can look after our environment and wildlife and plants.

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Number & Letter of the Week

Materials / Growing / Minibeasts

/ Fun Day / St. George's Day

Mathematics

- Using puppets/props to support number rhymes e.g. 10 Little Monkeys, 5 Currant Buns.
- Counting/number games on the interactive whiteboard.
- Using size vocabulary e.g. tall, short, long etc.
- Measuring with non-standard measures, e.g. cubes.
- Using positional language e.g. on, under, behind etc.
- Recognising and ordering numbers to 10.
- Matching numbers to sets of objects.
- Consolidate numbers 1-5 move on to numbers 6-10, count number of legs on minibeasts.
- Consolidating 2D shape and colour recognition through a range of sorting and matching activities.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Creative activities linked to the letter and number of the week.
- Drawing and painting a range of flowers and plants, also animals and their young.
- Exploring different materials e.g. wood, plastic, metal, also sand, cornflour, clay, playdough
- Singing familiar songs and accompany songs with percussion instruments.
- Printing/painting/drawing/collage/modelling.
- Role-play - builders/café/garden centre.
- Imaginative small world, minibeast environments.
- Sing materials, flower and minibeast songs.

Understanding the World

- Sort a range of recycle materials.
- Planting seeds and bulbs and watching them grow.
- Finding out what seeds need to grow.
- Carry out a range of experiments as fair tests.
- Naming parts of a flower and plant.
- Naming a range of different materials.
- Naming a range of minibeasts.
- Learning about minibeast environments.
- Using the interactive whiteboard to access games, drawing programmes, songs etc.
- Learn about St George's Day.