

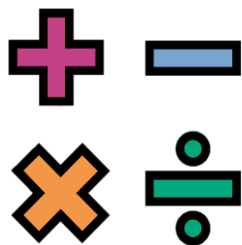
Nursery - Autumn 2

Literacy



We will be reading the stories: 'Would You Rather..?' by John Burningham, 'Monster Clothes' by Daisy Hirst and 'Super Duper You' by Sophy Henn. We will be looking at the verbs and nouns in these books, talking about the characters and events in the stories, and predicting what may happen next. We will bring the language alive by adding actions and singing songs related to these books.

Maths



In Maths, we will be learning about the numbers 1 and 2; subitising, counting and recognising the numeral. We will read many stories and sing many songs relating to these numbers. We will also be looking at patterns in colour, shape and movement – repeating AB and ABC patterns; extending these and fixing them. The children will be baking flapjacks, following instructions that include the number 1, and will also be creating a repeating pattern fruit skewer kebab!

Communication and Language



This term, we will be developing a listening culture in the classroom. We will share familiar stories and rhymes. We will focus on phonological awareness by playing listening games, singing songs and rhymes, and learning how to identify syllables in words. We will develop the children's communication skills with high-quality adult interactions; role modelling correct speech and grammar and by getting the children to copy our words, phrases and sentences. We will be teaching the children how to hear the initial sounds in words.

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Expressive Arts and Design



This half-term will provide plenty of opportunities to paint, draw and create - especially in the run up to Christmas! The children will be baking and decorating gingerbread people, making their own decorations for a Christmas tree and designing their own Christmas cards!

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



Our topic for this half term is 'Valuing Difference'. We will be discussing the topics 'Me and My Friends', 'Me and My Family' and 'Including Everyone'. We will be reading the books: 'Elmer', discussing what it means to be unique, 'The Rainbow Fish', discussing how it feels to be kind and share, as well as 'Monkey Puzzle', where we discuss how all families are different and celebrating these differences.

Physical Development



This term we will be following the 'Wiggle Me into a Squiggler' scheme which concentrates on developing gross motor movements and introducing the children to pre-handwriting shapes (l-o). They will be accessing sensory play, manipulating play dough, and will have many opportunities to develop their gross and fine motor skills both inside and outside.

Understanding the World



This half-term we will be learning about celebrations and festivals such as Remembrance Day, Christmas, Hannukah, Children in Need and Bonfire Night. We will look at photos of everyone as babies and will discuss the similarities and differences between then and now. We will also be observing seasonal changes with the opportunity to experiment with ice, frost and hopefully snow!