

Welcome to Nursery!

Our dedicated and experienced Nursery team consists of Mrs Mannion, Miss Cockayne, Ms Cartmell and Miss Cherry. We believe in supporting children's holistic development in order to provide tailored learning opportunities which enable all children to reach their full potential. We encourage children to experience and participate in a wide variety of learning opportunities through a hands-on, play based curriculum. Our planning carefully considers our children's current needs and interests in order to engage and nurture all children, in a challenging yet supportive environment.

In Nursery, this half term we will be focusing on the following books:

- The Dinosaur that Pooped a Planet by Tom Fletcher
- Supertato by Sue Hendra
- Real Superheroes by Julia Seal

Our Learning

- ❖ To develop our Personal, Social and Emotional skills, we will be focusing on how to be increasingly independent. This includes things such as putting our own coats on and fastening them using zips or buttons.
- ❖ To support our Communication and Language development, we will be encouraging children to discuss and express their points of views to debate about something they either agree or disagree on.
- ❖ In Physical Development, we will be learning to throw, catch and kick a variety of balls during our P.E topic of Target Games. We will also be demonstrating a comfortable grip with good control when using pens and pencils.
- ❖ In Literacy, we will continue to look at these key concepts about print:
 1. Print has meaning
 2. Print can have different purposes
 3. We read English text from left to right and from top to bottom
 4. The names of different parts of a book
 5. Page sequencing

We will also continue to develop our phonological awareness by exploring words with the same initial sound.

- ❖ In Maths, we will continue to recite numbers and will be linking numerals to amounts. We will also be practising our subitising skills for numbers 1-5.
- ❖ In Understanding the World, we will be looking at our own life stories and learning about events that happened before and after we were born. We will also learn about different ways that we can be healthy.

- ❖ In Expressive Arts and Design, we will be experimenting with different materials and will explore different textures. We will develop our own ideas about how to use different media.
- ❖ For this half term, our Forest School focus will be 'Nature & Animals'. Our lessons will have a literacy link to our 'Hungry caterpillar' learning. We will also be learning to weave to create our very own hungry caterpillar. We also have our parent workshops this term which will be highlighting the culmination of their learning thus far such as story telling, den building and knot tying.

Things to remember...

- Wellies are needed in school throughout the year
- All clothing and belongings must be clearly labelled with your child's name
- A full set of spare clothes (including socks and underwear) are required in a labelled bag
- It's always handy to keep a pack of wipes in your child's bag, to help keep faces clean
- Please don't forget a labelled water bottle and a piece of fruit for snack time!

Remember, if your child comes home dirty, it's because they have had a fantastic day!