

# Early Years Foundation Stage News

## Communication and Language / Literacy

- We will speak about our family, homes, holidays and celebrations.
- We will continue to share a range of stories, rhymes and learn to use information books to help extend our learning.
- In phonics we will continue to learn to 'hear' and 'say' sounds in words.
- We will read and write words, captions and simple sentences.
- We will learn to read and write some of the keywords eg: **no, go, I, the, to, he, she, we, me, be.**
- We will continue to work on letter formation and encourage emergent writing during play eg: menus, recipes, shopping lists, letters, labels on pictures etc.

## Expressive Arts and Design

- Create simple representations - people, buildings and animals.
- Continue to build a repertoire of songs and rhymes related to the topic.
- Explore musical instruments and recognise how sounds can change. Tap or clap rhythms.
- Develop imagination in art and design by using different types of material and paint effects to create various creatures. Explore textures, shape, patterns and use appropriate colours.
- We will express and communicate ideas using imagination in role play, stories and dance situations.

## Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- We will continue to develop confidence and independent skills especially when trying new activities.
- Build upon levels of concentration for increasing periods of time during adult directed activities.
- We will learn to take turns and share with other children.
- We will recognise the needs and feelings of others and understand if their feelings have been hurt.
- Understand what is required to look after living things to keep them safe and healthy.

## All Creatures Great and Small

## Physical Development

- We will learn to work in a set space and move safely with control, co-ordination and imagination.
- We will continue to learn to travel in different directions by running, skipping, jumping, hopping, galloping.
- Continue to develop fine motor skills using a variety of tools and with small equipment with increasing accuracy.
- Travel with confidence and skill around, under, over and balancing through climbing equipment.

## Understanding the World

- We will continue to learn about different cultures, beliefs and celebrations.
- Find out and identify features of living things and look closely at similarities and differences.
- Encourage children to ask questions and make comments to find out about animals.
- Talk about growth and development of animals and plants. Learn the names of baby animals.
- Use ICT to support learning. We will log on and learn to use the laptops and iPad
- Investigate why things happen and how things work.
- We will look at Winter and Spring

## Maths

- We will continue with number rhymes and songs.
- We will consolidate counting forwards and backwards with numbers to 10 and then 20.
- We will learn to recognise the numbers to 20.
- We will say the numbers 1 more than or 1 less than any number to 20.
- We will practise counting sets of objects and then add 2 groups of objects together or take a given number of objects away.
- Continue to extend and use the language associated with time, height, weight, length, capacity and order items appropriately.
- Learn to name 2D and 3D shapes.