

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

As the children start their first term in EYFS, they will be getting to know the school and settling in by learning the Golden Rules and routines. The children will be learning about making friends and the importance of taking turns and playing nicely. As part of our topic, the children will also be learning about the importance of teamwork, cooperation and helping others.

Communication & Language

The children will be encouraged to communicate through a range of activities, including our Magic Moment sessions on a Monday and Friday. As the children start school, they will be learning how to follow instructions and listen to others. The children will be encouraged to develop speaking and listening skills in role-play, small world, puppet theatre, construction areas and across the setting.

Physical Development

The children will be developing their fine motor skills as they learn how to handle pencils and scissors effectively and practise skills such as threading, lacing and manipulating play dough/clay. They will also be learning how to form letters correctly. During PE lessons, they will be exploring how they can move in different ways and practise negotiating space safely. The children will also be learning about the importance of healthy eating, which will be reinforced through their daily snack time.

Literacy

Through our phonics programme, Read Write Inc. the children will be taught individual sounds, how to blend them and how to segment words for reading and for writing. The children will be learning how to write their own name and simple labels through a range of activities. The children will be developing their reading skills as they read books independently and as we read together during story time.

Mathematics

In maths, the children will be learning to match and sort different objects and will begin to understand that the same collection of objects can be sorted in different ways. We will be comparing and ordering items using the vocabulary of more and less and we will move onto comparing size, mass and capacity. We will also be focusing on repeating patterns where the children will be encouraged to explore patterns and create their own.

Understand the World

During our topic the children will be encouraged to talk about events in their own lives and that of their family. We will be discussing similarities and differences between communities and the children will be encouraged to explore ICT equipment around the setting and begin to use simple programmes on the school laptops and iPads.

Expressive Arts & Design

The children will be exploring mixing colours and painting techniques to create a range of pictures related to our topic. They will be encouraged to use a range of artistic materials, tools and techniques to work imaginatively and represent their own ideas through art. In Music, the children will be exploring the sounds of different types of instruments and singing nursery rhymes that link to the theme of family.