

Curriculum Overview for Nursery

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- Display friendly behaviour and initiate conversations with others to discuss ideas
- Build an awareness of needing help, and confidence to ask
- Develop confidence in new social situations
- Work as part of a group, extending and elaborating play ideas
- Form positive relationships with peers and adults
- Play co-operatively, taking turns with support
- Enjoy the responsibility of carrying out small tasks

Communication & Language

- Listen to others in one to one or group situations
- Listen to stories with increasing attention and recall
- Follow instructions to carry out activities
- Use 'and' and 'because' to give more detail when explaining.
- Join in with repeat refrains and anticipates key events
- Use a range of tenses and uses vocabulary that reflects their experiences.
- Begin to understand how and why questions
- Question why things happen

Physical Development

- Show increased control and coordination of movement
- Show increased control of equipment and tools, including for writing
- Learn about healthy diet and exercise
- Develop good management of their own hygiene and personal needs

Literacy

- Use phonics to write and decode simple words and phrases, including their names.
- Show an understanding of the story they have heard through discussions, role-play, questioning.
- Develop an understanding of print concepts and the purposes of books

Mathematics

- Count reliably with objects using 1 to 1 strategy.
- Begin to match numerals with quantities of objects
- Develop an understanding of addition and subtraction, more and less.
- Begin to recognise and describe simple patterns
- Begin to use everyday language to talk about size, position, time , etc.
- Begin to use mathematical language to describe shapes and objects

Understand the World

- Talk about events in their own lives and that of their family
- Show an interest in different occupations and ways of life
- Develop an understanding about similarities and differences between objects
- Show care and concern for living things and the environment
- Show an interest in, and is able to, operate simple equipment

Expressive Arts & Design

- Experiment with songs, music, role-play and dance
- Develop the use of a range of artistic materials, tools and techniques
- Construct and uses tools for a purpose
- Engage in art, music, role-play, dance and storytelling