

Areas of Learning

In nursery, there are 3 prime areas of learning, and 4 additional specific areas of learning. Here, you will find information about each area.



Communication and Language

Listening - we will begin to listen with interest to new stories and rhymes.



Understanding - we will begin by learning to follow instructions & understand how they keep us safe.



Speaking - we will begin to use simple sentences to ask questions and communicate with peers and teachers.

Physical Development

Movement and handling - we will build our confidence in climbing Nursery equipment, as well as beginning to move in different ways, developing our fine and gross motor skills.



Self care - we will become confident in using the toilet independently, as well as discussing the importance of washing our hands.



Our nursery topics follow children's interests and curiosities. The topics change as emerging interests are followed and explored.

Personal, Social and Emotional

Making relationships - we will begin to develop relationships and friendships with our teachers and peers.



Managing feelings and behaviour - we will begin to express and discuss our feelings and the reasons behind them.

Self-confidence and self-awareness - we will begin to enter Nursery confidently and independently, exploring all areas and resources with interest and enjoyment.





The Importance of Play

In nursery we learn through play. Planned and purposeful play activities are a key strategy for introducing and consolidating all areas of learning and development. In our learning we explore, build, run, paint, laugh, investigate, ask questions and learn through a well planned environment and a range of activities

Mathematics

We will be counting objects and recognising numbers.



We will recognise simple shapes and be able to identify them in and around our environment.



We will begin to compare objects by size, using language such as 'big' and 'small'.



Literacy

We will be listening to new rhymes and will begin to repeat our favourite ones.

We will also take part in a daily story time session, relating the stories we hear back to our own families, lives and experiences.

Some of the books we will be reading in Autumn term include...



Expressive Arts and Design

We will use a range of materials to create various construction buildings.



We will join in with familiar songs and rhymes and begin to use actions.

We will begin to explore different textures and discuss how they feel.



Understanding the World

We will be discussing our own families and those around us.

We will begin to comment and ask questions about our home and local environment.

We will use small world resources to recreate what we observe in our homes and outside environment.

We offer children the experience of a forest school approach weekly. Children explore the natural world through hands-on experiences. This helps our children to develop their self-esteem and confidence through creativity, working together and child-led learning.