



Autumn Term Curriculum 2020



Firstly, can I say what a pleasure it has been to welcome your children back to preschool this September. You have all done an amazing job keeping them fit and well and sending them back to us ready to learn after what has been such a long time for some.

The children have done a fantastic job settling back into preschool and adjusting to the new routines and hygiene practices. This term we will be focusing on the three prime areas from the Early Years Foundation Stage. These include -

- Personal, Social and Emotional development.
Making relationships, Self-confidence and Self-awareness, Managing feelings and behaviour.
- Physical development
Moving and handling, Health and self-care.
- Communication and Language.
Listening and attention, Understanding, Speaking.

All activities will be play based and adapted to the children's individual needs. To support children with their personal, social and emotional development we will use the Monkey bob toolkit which contains imaginative, interactive and child-centred resources that focus on encouraging children to engage with their feelings. We will continue with our mindfulness yoga which will support children with managing their anxiety, improves their emotional regulation, boosts self-esteem, reduces challenging behaviour, increases children's body awareness and mindfulness and enhances concentration and memory.

We will continue implementing our hygiene practices. Children have already been doing a great job with hand washing and have a good knowledge on the importance of good hand hygiene. We will do fun hand washing experiments using glitter, pepper, baby powder and cinnamon. These are not only fun experiments but a great way to teach children about germs.

To support children with their listening and attention we will re-introduce Lola the Leopard to the group. Lola is a well-loved soft toy that comes with a book of fun games which are designed to develop listening, concentration and attention. We will also be reading some of your children's favourite books, encouraging them to join in with repeated refrains and answer questions about the familiar stories.

Before the summer holidays, the children had been learning some Makaton signs to familiar nursery rhymes. We will continue with this and hopefully find a way to share this with you in the future. Makaton can be beneficial to all children in developing social interaction, fine and gross motor skills and building listening and attention skills,

Things to do at home

Unfortunately, we will not be sending home any learning activities and our library is still closed. However, your child's keyperson will tell you what they are working on via tapestry and you can also send us observations from too.

We hope that this brief summary of what we will be covering this term is useful to you and will enable you to support your child's learning at home. Remember to keep an eye on our twitter page as this will keep you up to date on a weekly basis.

Thank you, Rachel

