



**Together We Can**  
**Spring Term 2021 Newsletter**  
**YEAR: NURSERY**

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your families are all keeping well. It's hard to believe that we find ourselves in another lockdown . We are missing you all .

As you know at nursery the children have been following the **Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum**. Activities are based around the 7 areas of learning : Personal ,Social and Emotional Development, Communication and Language ,Physical Development , Literacy, Mathematics , Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design . **More detail on this is given in the 'Guide to Early Years Foundation Stage Framework For Parents, which is on Google Classroom**

**Learning Routines and Self Care**—The children settled in very well during the Autumn Term and coped very well with the routines and lunch times . Many of them can now put their coats on and change into Wellingtons for digging. We encourage them to put their aprons on for painting and the dressing up clothes They are managing the toilet and washing their hands. They are helping to tidy up and are learning where things go .

**Attention and Listening Skills**I – I'm sure you will agree that the children's attention and listening skills have developed and they are able to participate in an activity as part of a group and wait for their turn. They are able to listen to stories and join in with songs and rhymes in small and large groups

**Social Skills**-The children are developing friendships and some even have best friends. They are learning to share and take turns and play in a group and are learning to consider the needs of others .

**TIMETABLE**

**School Day**

**9.00 - 3.00pm full time**

**9.12 pm part time**

**P.E. Tuesday**

**Please ensure your child's clothing and bag is labelled clearly with their full name.**



### **Physical Development -**

The children have been given lots of opportunities to practice their fine motor skills– drawing, painting ,writing patterns, play dough and threading and are given lots of opportunities to develop their gross motor skills in the garden , running ,climbing , balancing and having sessions with the sports coach .

### **Mathematical Development**

In Maths the children have been learning to count to 10 and beyond, they are learning to count out amounts and match the numeral to the amount, they are learning to find 1 more and to recognise and order numbers. They are learning to name 2d shapes and their properties and find them in the environment . They are learning the language of size, e.g. short, long , tall big ,small and they are practising ordering objects by size .

### **Literacy**

In Literacy the children are learning to retell stories and use the book language , they are learning the sequence of a story and that it has a beginning ,, middle and end . Singing songs and rhymes helps children with their early reading skills.

### **Communication and Language**

Developing the children's language skills is very important part of being in nursery. Their vocabulary is increasing and they are developing their sentence structure and grammar. They are learning to turn take in a group , Attention and Listening skills are very important to this process.

### **Expressive Arts and Design**

The children have been given lots of opportunity to explore different medias e.g. drawing , painting, collage, marbling , crafts, and various different role play scenarios. They very much enjoy dressing up and being in role,

## Knowledge and Understanding

We have covered , growing , seasons, different occupations and ways of life, science ,

## Zoom sessions and Google Classroom

Thank you for attending the **Zoom Sessions** and for completing the assignments set on **Google Classroom** . Although not ideal it is a good way for the children to continue their learning and to stay in touch with the staff in Nursery . I hope that it has also given you an insight into the way that the children learn through play at nursery and some ideas that you can use with them at home. Please Keep sending in the lovely photos of their activities. I hope that you were all able to access Google Classroom to see the children perform in the Early Years Foundation Stage Nativity. If you haven't seen it go to Google Classroom - Computing and the link is in a message from Mrs Allery.

## Pack of Activities

As most of you know a pack of information was taken to the office to be sent out to you all . Unfortunately it has been delayed. Hopefully you will receive it soon.

## Zoom Timetable

**The zoom timetable will be changing as from next week , further details will be posted on Google Classroom.**

Thank you all for your support during lockdown it is much appreciated. I hope we can all be together soon. Best wishes from the nursery team.

