



## Nursery Parent Curriculum Information Autumn Term 2023

### Autumn Term Themes

Our themes during the autumn term are:

- Me and My Family
- Celebrations and Christmas

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children will learn the routines, boundaries and behaviour expectations within Nursery. They will get to know their friends and familiar adults in Nursery and begin to develop good relationships. Children will have opportunities to develop their confidence and independence to enable them to select and use the resources in Nursery independently.

### Physical Development

Children will become more independent in their self-care as they learn to put on their coat, apron, shoes and wellies. They will learn how to use a variety of one-handed tools safely, for example, scissors. In their PE sessions they will explore moving in different ways, work co-operatively with others, and develop their ball skills, including throwing, catching, and kicking a ball.

### Communication and Language

Children will develop their listening skills through daily story and rhyme time and listening activities. They will develop their confidence to join in with words and phrases in familiar stories and rhymes. They will learn and use new vocabulary when they learn the names of tools and equipment in Nursery, names of friends and staff and vocabulary linked to our themes.

### Literacy

Children will listen to the story of the week and comment on what is happening. They will learn to recognise their own name and begin to use a pencil to make vertical, horizontal and circular marks. They will have daily phonic sessions, in which they will tune into environmental and instrumental sounds and identify the initial sound in a word.

### Mathematics

Children will learn to match objects for example, match objects by colour or size. They will recite numbers in order when counting the children at welcome time and during counting activities. They will explore spatial awareness when completing shape puzzles and when creating train tracks and road layouts. Children will focus in depth on numbers one to three (representations, comparing numbers to three and composition of numbers to three i.e. what is three made up of).

### Understanding the World

Children will have an opportunity to talk about their family and past experiences when sharing entries from their Home Learning Journals. They will explore their life cycle when we create a class All About Me book. They will explore traditions within festivals of Diwali, Hanukkah and Christmas. They will learn about the natural world through observing and discussing seasonal change.

### Expressive Arts and Design

Children will develop a repertoire of familiar songs and rhymes. They will explore how sounds can be changed when playing musical instruments loud and quietly. They will have the opportunity to use their own experiences in their play, for example pretending to cook food in the home corner. Children will explore a range of media and use various construction materials to build and balance.

### **Learning at Home**

- Home learning journals and rhyme of the week will be sent home with your child every Monday and should be returned the following Monday in their book bag.
- Please complete one page of your child's home learning journal each week, telling us something that your child has enjoyed doing or a learning experience they have had at home that week.
- Library books will be chosen by your child and sent home on a Monday and should be returned the following Monday in your child's blue book bag.

### **Other Information**

- Please remember to bring a coat for outdoors every day as the weather can be changeable.
- Please ensure jumpers have your child's name clearly labelled inside.
- Bring book bags to school every Monday.
- Please send a pair of wellies into school for your child as soon as possible so that they can access the garden fully over the autumn and winter months.
- Please send some spare clothes, including underwear, in a named bag to be kept in school.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs Skitt via the school office, so that we can help.