

Literacy

This term we will enjoy stories – one to one and in small groups. We will learn how to handle books carefully. We will share stories, rhymes, songs and poems as part of our topic. Our stories will include Peace at last, Owl Babies, Little ducks eye glasses as well as non-fiction books on our body and about nurses and doctors. We will use our mark making in different ways to write labels and lists in our role play.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Welcome to our new school year. Some of us will be returning after the holidays and some will be joining us for the first time. We look forward to making new friends, playing and working together, learning the routines of Nursery and finding out and exploring new activities every day. This term we will concentrate on settling in and joining others in our play.

Communication and Language

We will use our topic on ourselves, to support our listening, understanding and speaking skills. We will listen to and begin to recall stories and rhymes. We will understand and respond to simple directions and begin to listen to and respond to ideas from other children. We will use our language to imagine and recreate roles in play situations. We will listen carefully to and talk about sounds in our environment as part of our phonics work. We will learn how to be a good listener when we are in a small or large group and begin to take turns in our talking.

Creative Development

Our role play will be Acorn Cottage where we can make believe by pretending. We can cook, share and eat, take care of the house, care for the babies etc. Later in the term we will have a doctors surgery where we can take the babies and ourselves if we are not well. We will experiment with blocks, colours and marks. It will be fun to paint and draw ourselves, and whatever else may interest us. In the construction area we will build and balance using different materials. In music we will join in with favourite songs and explore musical instruments show and show an interest in the way instruments sound.

Mathematics

We will use numbers and counting in all areas of our Nursery. In our house we can count out the right number of cups and plates, use numerals on the telephone and make marks to represent numbers when making a shopping list. We will explore shapes through puzzles and constructions and looking at shapes in the environment.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

We will use our topic on Marvellous Me to find out about ourselves. We will talk about what we were able to do as babies and what we can do now. We will look carefully at our hands – what can we do with them? We will explore our senses especially our eyes and ears. We will explore activities where we need to use our hands to feel rather than our eyes. What happens if our eyes do not work without help? We will make our own glasses from card and test our eyes in the doctor's surgery. We will talk about people who help us when we are ill – doctors and nurses. We will learn that we are all different but all the same!

Physical Development

This term we will be able stop and start on command when we are doing PE. We will be able to move in different ways such as running walking, hopping, marching. We will begin to negotiate space when we walk and run. We will develop our fine motor control through drawing, writing and using scissors and manipulating play-doh. Every week we will cook a healthy snack.

