

Communication and Language

- Self-Registration, children will recognise their name and make independent lunch choices.
- We will continue to develop listening skills by sharing, retelling and sequencing stories.
- Learn new vocabulary.
- Build on comprehension and understand what is being asked to respond appropriately.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Children will continue to follow our nursery routines and rules.
- We will support and manage health, hygiene and toileting.
- Encourage children to share and take turns.
- Talk about making good choices and the consequence of our actions.
- Children will enjoy listening to stories and rhymes during carpet time and take part in short, small group activities.

Physical Development

- Children will take part in PE (Wiggle Wednesday), they will develop an understanding of safety, spatial awareness, hand-eye coordination and moving in different ways.
- Children will take part in activities to develop fine motor skills including pencil and scissor control in the creative, mark making and construction areas.
- Children will enjoy walking, running outside and using the large play equipment such as climbing walls.

Mathematics

- Continue sequencing the days of the week and months of the year through listening to and singing songs.
- Children will join in with repeated refrains in stories and rhymes.
- Learn to recognise and gain deeper understanding of 1, 2, and 3 as we learn to show and represent 1, 2, 3 on our fingers and encourage the children to notice characters or objects in stories.
- We will introduce language 'I see 1/2/3', use key questions: What do you notice? What do you see?

Once Upon a Time



Understanding the World

- Children will learn about the natural environment through Forest School (Muddy Monday) and Autumn walks.
- Look at different occupations through stories, videos, props.
- Talk about celebrating Christmas with family. Highlight similarities and differences between family celebrations.
- Explore Christmas decorations, toys and objects. Nursery will put the Christmas tree up together and talk about how things work e.g. how do we hang baubles on the tree? How do the lights work?

Literacy

- Children will continue to trace their name and start to form some letters independently; they will begin to say some of the letter sounds.
- Adults will continue to sound out words so children can hear the letter sounds and children will start to identify the initial letter sound in words.
- We will read traditional stories, fact books and fiction / non-fiction books. Children will join in with repeated refrains and sequence stories of our core books.
- Children will begin to describe what marks they make represent.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Children will continue learn to recognise colours and explore what happens when they mix them.
- We will provide opportunities for children to be creative using a variety of resources.
- We will look at liquids and solids – the differences.
- Children will enjoy baking.
- We will sing, dance and make music – practise songs and signs for our Christmas play.



Messages:

Our Muddy Monday sessions will continue to take place on a Monday afternoon in Forest School, please make sure your child wears suitable comfortable clothing, brings a waterproof jacket and trousers (or an all in one) and wellies. If it is cold, we also recommend some thick socks, a hat and gloves.

On a Wednesday we will continue with PE (Wiggle Wednesday) where we will focus on balance, co-ordination, spacial awareness, hand-eye coordination along with many other skills. Please can you make sure you child wears appropriate clothing and footwear.

Just a reminder, please could you ask your child what their favourite book is and why they like it? It may be that they like a particular character in the story, it might be the bold, bright illustrations, it could be the story is funny and makes them laugh, there may be repetition, so your child enjoys joining in when reading the story. We really would love your child to share their thoughts and ideas. Your child might like to bring in their book and we can share it with their friends during circle time.

Our Team



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Acorns Christmas Performance - Wednesday 18th December 2024 at 2:15pm