

## Communication and Language:

This is an important area of development which encompasses all other areas of development. We will develop our pretend play and communicate our play with our peers within the role play area. Within our family group time, we will work on understanding a question or instruction that contains two steps. We will also focus on a weekly nursery rhyme to build up our vocabulary skills. Each week, we will focus on a topic book to hook us in and allow us to explore our topic further.

## Personal Social Emotional Development:

We will be working on building our confidence within our classroom this term. Each area has been carefully equipped for us to learn to carefully select what resources or activities we need for a desired goal. We are also being encouraged to ask a familiar adult for help when we need it. This term we will also be exploring our feelings and talking about them.

## Physical Development:

Alongside 'squiggle time' and 'dough disco' we will be building further on our physical abilities during time in the classroom this term. We will be focusing on the skills of skipping, hopping, balancing on one leg and moving with rhyme. We will also be practising using one handed tools such as scissors safely for a desired effect.

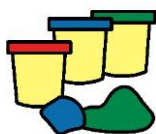


## Squiggle Time:

During 'squiggle time' we follow a set programme to develop our muscles for gross motor skills. Completing a set of movements helps to build our core, arm and wrist muscles to help us prepare our bodies ready for writing. We will stretch our whole bodies each day! This is all set to music and we use our 'flappers' to help us focus our movements. The 'flappers' help us to watch how we are moving, helping us to perfect our movements in both arms.

## Dough Disco:

This term we will introduce dough disco. We will each have a small amount of play dough and learn to manipulate it with our hands. This helps us to strengthen our hands ready for fine motor activities. We will learn to pinch, pat and roll the dough. This is to help us develop our pencil control and strength within our fingers.



## Homework:

Please share daily stories with your child. At the end of each week, the nursery rhyme we have focused on will be uploaded onto Tapestry and we ask for you to practise it at home. Please share any wow moments with us so we can celebrate in Nursery.

PE day is on Fridays.

Forest school session will be on Mondays (start date to be confirmed).

## Literacy:

This term, we will begin to use our 'good looking' and 'good listening' skills as we start to explore sounds in our environment. Singing nursery rhymes will be an important part of our learning to help us become a confident reader in the future. Topic books will be shared and we will be exploring the contents within each book including key vocabulary.

## Mathematics:

Using number nursery rhymes we will be exploring 'more' and 'fewer', comparing different amounts. We will use stories to help us explore the size of objects using the vocabulary 'large' and 'small'. Patterns within our environment will also be explored and we will discuss what's similar and different about them.

## Understanding Of The world:

As the Autumn season starts, we will explore our natural environment and what signs we can spot. We will also observe changes within the weather.

## Expressive Arts and Design:

We will begin to create our own pictures and say what it is. During this term we will also be creating our own self portraits using a variety of resources.

