





<u>WHAT WE ARE LEARNING</u> NURSERY - SPRING TERM 2023

Welcome back to everyone! It has been lovely hearing about all the exciting things you got up to in the holidays!

Our Topic this term is: Helping us to learn (Discovering the people in our school who help us to learn and how we can look after others: Teachers/Cooks/Caretaker etc.)

Spring 1: Help me help you (Traditional Tales). We will be looking closely at the stories of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears', 'The Gingerbread Man' and 'The Three Little Pigs'. It would be great if you could share these stories with your child at home, visit the library or even find a different version of the story on the internet.

Please bring in any learning or photos your child has completed in relation to this story at home. We would love to see and add this work to your child's Learning Journey Book!

Spring 2: Watch me grow

Personal Social Emotional Development (PSED)

- We will support our new friends settling into the Nursery and continue to establish our Nursery rules and routines.
- We will learn the names of our new friends
- We will work hard to become independent learners.
- We will put on and zip up our own coats.

Communication and Language

- We will continue to talk to our friends about what we have been doing and what we have learnt each day.
- We will introduce ourselves to our new friends and find out the things they like doing.
- We will begin to learn sign-a-long through rhymes using visual communication i.e. hand actions.

Understanding of the World (UW)

- We will talk about the winter season and changes in weather.
- We will continue with outdoor learning every week and learn about the natural environment.

Physical Development (PD)

- We will talk about what happens to our bodies when we exercise and the importance of keeping healthy.
- We will play racing games to develop our gross motor control and co-ordination.
- We will use chop sticks and tweezers to pick up small objects to develop our fine motor control.

Expressive Arts and Design (EAD)

- We will be singing number and shape songs.
- We will use different media to draw/paint pictures, looking carefully at the shapes and colours we need to use.
- We will continue to learn different Nursery rhymes and use sign-a-long to support these rhymes.

<u>Literacy</u>

- We will look at and read different books daily.
- We will continue to explore different mark making materials and talk about the marks we have made.

Mathematical Development (MD)

- We will talk about and learn the names of 2D and 3D shapes as we make different models in the creative area.
- We will continue to count up to 30 every day and recognise numerals in the environment.



Key Information

Book Bags

We hope your child is enjoying using the reading records and activity cards. We are in the process of creating a display using work from all children so if you complete an extension activity, please bring it in.

This is a valuable opportunity for you to share books with your child and instil a love of reading. It is therefore vital that you remember to bring book bags in every **Friday**.

Shoe laces

May we kindly remind parents/carers that no shoe laces and wellington boots should be worn in Nursery.

Please name your child's coat and any other items like jumpers and cardigans that they may take off during the session. This helps the staff to ensure that all items can be returned.

Creative area

We are always looking for donations for our creative arts area of newspapers, cereal or smaller boxes, cardboard tubes, egg boxes, bottle tops, corks, lids.

Stay and play

It was so lovely to welcome so many of you to our stay and play session, reading morning and Christmas concert last term.

We hope you enjoyed sharing your child's Learning Journey and speaking with your child's key person. Thank you to everyone for your kind comments.

<u>Jewellery</u>

May we remind you only small stud earrings should be worn. Children should not be wearing large hoops, necklaces or bracelets to school. Thank you.



Punctuality

Please ensure that you drop off and collect your child promptly every day. If your child is being collected by an adult who is not known to the Nursery teacher, please ensure that you introduce them or leave a message at the office. All children must be brought and collected by a responsible adult over the age of 18.

Morning Nursery: 8.40 - 11.40 Afternoon Nursery: 12.20 - 3.20

Parent Partnerships

Now that the children are settled, if you or anyone if your family has a little spare time and are interested in coming in to help in nursery, we would love to hear from you. Maybe you have a hidden talent or hobby you could share with us e.g. sewing, cooking/baking, playing an instrument, gardening etc. Please speak to nursery staff for more information. Thank you!

Nursery Staff

Mrs Girzade (Assistant Head Teacher) Mrs Ali (Cover Supervisor) Ms Sullivan (Nursery Nurse) Mrs Jaruseviciene (Teaching Assistant)

