



Nursery

Although we follow the children's lead below are some of the key aspects of a child's development that we would be encouraging through play. **Our focus for the summer term is 'Traditional tales' and 'Summer holidays and journeys.'**

Personal, social and emotional development

- ★ We will be sharing our weekend news in a whole group situation, taking it in turns to talk and demonstrating good listening skills too.
- ★ We will be continuing to develop our friendships as well as our turn taking skills.
- ★ We will be learning to become more independent and responsible for our belongings, including getting ready for home time.

Communication and language

- ★ We will continue to enjoy reading books and singing songs.
- ★ We will be learning how to be a good speaker and listener. We will be using our 'Rules for talk' to help us. Please see below for our rules for talk.
- ★ Begin to understand why and how questions.
- ★ We will be learning to speak in full sentences showing an awareness of the listener.

Supporting your child at home:

- ★ Support your child with their listening skills at home. Share a story or sing a song together and stop – asking your child to finish the song or story.
- ★ Enjoy reading and singing together at home.
- ★ Give your child jobs to complete around the home to help develop their listening skills and independence.

Physical development

- ★ We will be talking about how to keep our bodies healthy and how to stay safe when we exercise.
- ★ We will be learning to travel with confidence and skill around, under, over and through equipment.
- ★ We will be learning to keep ourselves safe during outdoor learning and when using equipment in the classroom.
- ★ We will be continuing to strengthen the muscles in our hands ready for writing.
- ★ We will be beginning to form some letters.

Mathematics

- ★ We will be learning to name and describe 2D shapes.
- ★ We will be learning about length and height using language such as long, short, tall etc.
- ★ We will be learning about weight and making comparisons with objects using heavier than and lighter than.
- ★ We will be exploring capacity e.g. full, empty.
- ★ We will be learning to use positional language.

Literacy

- ★ We will be learning to identify our name by looking for the initial letter.
- ★ We will be learning to hold a pencil using the correct grip.
- ★ We will be learning to recall key parts of a familiar story.
- ★ We will be learning to write our name.

Expressive arts and design

- ★ We will be exploring a variety of materials to create our own models and pictures.
- ★ We will be exploring rhyme through songs and stories.
- ★ We will be learning to join materials together.
- ★ We will be learning about colour mixing.
- ★ We will continue to explore different techniques such as collage, wax resist painting.

Understanding the world

- ★ We will be learning about the world around us, including habitats.
- ★ We will be learning how to stay safe when playing outside in the sun.
- ★ We will be learning about what a plant needs to grow and stay healthy.
- ★ We will be learning about some of the things that make us unique.

HISN Ground Rules for Talk

- Use *full sentences*
- I say, you say, we all say...
- Speak clearly
- Show me you are listening
- Eyes on me, tummy buttons facing me
- Use *precise words*

Key Information

- Please write your child's name in everything, including coats and shoes!
- Please send your child to school with their school bag every day. It can help your child to identify their bag quickly if there is a key ring (just one) on the outside.
- Please send your child in with a named water bottle every day. Please fill bottles with water not juice.
- Playdough ingredients: We are running low on the following: salt, flour, oil and cream of tartar. If you are happy to donate any of the above we would be very grateful.
- WANTED: We love to get busy making in Nursery and using junk modelling materials. Please send in any cardboard, tubes, bottle tops and empty bottles for us to use in the classroom. **NO NUT OR EGG PACKAGING PLEASE.**
- Please help your child to recognise their clothes by showing them their name label in everything. They will then know how to check if an item belongs to them.



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Key Nursery Information

In Nursery we firmly believe that every child learns best through child-initiated play. These purposeful play experiences ensure each child can build important life skills such as curiosity, concentration, creativity, problem solving, widening their vocabulary and persistence. We are really enjoying getting to know all of the children and helping them to build friendships.

We follow a play based curriculum that allows us to follow the children's lead and recognise every child will have a different starting point. The children gain independence and confidence and their natural curiosity is encouraged at all times.

The Nursery children have access to the outdoor areas for most of the session, every day whatever the weather, so please ensure your child is dressed appropriately.

End of term message...

We continue to feel very proud of the Nursery children and their fantastic approach to learning. It has been great to see their confidence continuing to develop at school and watching their friendships grow over time. Each week the children continue to show a love of learning and excitement in sharing their experiences with their friends and teachers. Our marvellous mathematicians, collaborative creators, amazing architects and green-fingered gardeners make the Nursery an exciting place to be each day.

The children also have so many wonderful experiences outside of school too and we would love you to share these with us via Tapestry. Please feel free to upload any photos so that we can share them in class.

Thank you for your continued support throughout the year. We are looking forward to the summer term and the exciting learning opportunities that lay ahead.