

Reception Spring 2: Out and About

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

In our circle time and PSHE session, children will learn ways that they can keep themselves safe at home and outdoors. They will learn how to spot potential dangers and how to get help when needed. We will introduce children to the NSPCC PANTS rule using Pantosaurus videos.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

Literacy

The children will continue to have daily phonics sessions. Nursery will be learning to hear and identify initial sounds in words and play word sound and rhyming games. Reception will be learning new L3 sounds and re-capping L2 sounds. We will continue to use L2 tricky words that we learnt last half term - to, the, into, I, no, go in our writing and begin to use new L3 words he, she, me, we, be. We will be looking at the fiction books: Jack and the Beanstalk and Jaspers Beanstalk and Growing Frogs. Children will create simple story maps to sequence and retell stories. Children will write instructions to plant a seed and learn and perform poems. The children will continue to enjoy stories, rhymes, and songs as part of their daily routine.

Physical Development

Children will continue to develop fine motor skills and letter formation through daily practise. Children will be encouraged to use tools and mark making materials to create pictures and models. Children will learn how to carefully control different sized balls in a range of ways such as throwing, catching, kicking and using bats and balls.

Understanding the World

Children will learn about the local area including shops, amenities, parks, streets and people who help us. Children will follow and create simple maps and talk about their own local area at home. Children will learn about Ramadan and the celebration of Eid. We will explore the Easter story and make Easter cards to celebrate. Children will observe beans growing and learn what plants need to grow.

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will take part in painting and craft activities following our topics theme. They will paint and create a plant life cycle and make observational drawings of plants and fruit. Children will explore the Giant's castle at the top of the beanstalk and act out the traditional tale. Children will use fruit to design and make a fruit smoothie. We will continue to take part in weekly music lessons with Mrs Tanner and children will access the musical instruments in provision.

Communication and Language

Children will continue to be encouraged to use talk to express themselves and ask questions in group and whole class discussions. Children will be introduced to new topic words to be reinforced in provision and play. Children will learn and perform simple poems and will have the opportunity to perform a poem at our Spring Revue.

Maths

Children will be representing 6, 7 and 8 as well as saying one more and one less of these amounts. Children will learn the meaning of odd and even and how to identify these amounts. They will explore addition by combining two amounts using a range of concrete objects and begin to use their number sense to work out simple addition problems. Children will learn how to conceptually subitise up to 10 by saying what they can see. Children will find one more/less to 10 using songs and rhymes. Children will explore the properties of 2D and 3D shapes and use these to create and complete symmetrical patterns.