

Personal, Social and emotional development

Main aims:

- Welcomes and values praise for what they have done
- Aware of own feelings, and knows that some actions and words can hurt others' feelings
- Enjoys responsibility of carrying out small tasks
- Is more outgoing towards unfamiliar people and more confident in new social situations
- Understands that own actions affect other people, for example, becomes upset or tries to comfort another child when they realise they have upset them.
- Can describe self in positive terms and talk about abilities
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- Choose resources they need for their chosen activities
- Talk about their own and others' behaviour and know that some behaviour is unacceptable

Physical Development

Main aims:

- Negotiates space successfully when playing racing and chasing games with other children, adjusting speed or changing direction to avoid obstacles.
- Begins to form recognisable letters
- Travels with confidence and skill around, under and over and through balancing and climbing equipment
- Move confidently in a range of ways, safely and negotiating space
- Show good control and co-ordination in large movements
- Talk about ways to keep healthy and safe

Understanding the world

Main aims:

- Can talk about some of the things they have observed such as plants, animals, natural and found objects.
- Shows an interest in technological toys or pulleys, or real life objects such as cameras or mobile phones
- Uses ICT hardware with age-appropriate computer software.
- Knows about similarities and differences among families, communities and traditions.
- Completes a simple program on a computer
- Know about similarities and difference in relation to places, objects, materials and living things
- Make observation of animals and plants and explain why some things occur, and talk about changes.

Communication and language

Main aims:

- Joins in with increasing attention and recall
- Uses talk to connect ideas, explain what is happening and anticipate what might happen next, recall and relieve past experiences.
- Shows understanding of prepositions such as 'under', 'on top', 'behind' by carrying out an action or selecting correct picture
- Responds to simple instructions e.g. to get or put away an object
- Responds to an instructions involving a two-part sequence.
- Extends vocabulary, especially by grouping and naming, exploring the meaning and sounds of new words.
- Listens and responds to ideas expressed by other in conversation or discussion
- Uses talk to organise, sequence and clarify thinking, ideas, feelings and events
- Listen to stories, accurately anticipating key events and respond to what they hear with relevant comments, questions or actions.
- Answer 'how' and 'why' questions in response to stories

Expressive arts and design

Main aims:

- Explore what happens when they mix colours
- Experiment to create different textures
- Constructs with a purpose in mind, using a variety of resources
- Experiments with colour, design, texture, form and function.
- Represent their own ideas, thoughts and feeling through design and technology, art, music, dance, role play and stories.

People and Places



Literacy

- Enjoys rhyming and rhythmic activities
- Describe main story settings, events and principal characters
- Sometimes gives meaning to marks as they draw and paint
- Suggests how the story might end
- Looks at books independently
- Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and knows which letters represent some of them.
- Links sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet.
- Writes own names and other things such as labels, captions.
- Uses vocabulary and forms of speech that are increasingly influenced by their experience of books.
- Begins to read words and simple sentences.
- Continue a rhyming string
- Uses some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence
- Read and understand simple sentences.
- Use phonic knowledge to decode regular words and read them aloud accurately.
- Use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds.
- In writing, some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible

Maths

- Counts up to three or four objects by saying one number name for each item.
- Counts actions or objects which cannot be moved.
- Counts objects to 10, and beginning to count beyond 10.
- Selects the correct numeral to represent 1 to 5, then 1 to 10 objects
- Counts an irregular arrangement of up to 10 objects
- Estimates how many objects they can see and check by counting them
- Uses the language of 'more' and 'fewer' to compare two sets of objects.
- Finds the total number of items in two groups by counting all of them
- Finds one more of one less from a group of up to five objects, then ten objects.
- Records using marks that they can interpret and explain
- Beginning to use mathematical names for 'solid' 3D shapes and 'flat' 2D shapes and mathematical terms to describe shapes
- Selects a particular named shape
- Can describe their relative position such as 'behind' or 'next to'
- Children count reliably with numbers from one to 20, place them in order and say which number is one more or one less than a given number.
- Using quantities and objects, add and subtract two-digit numbers and count on or back to find the answer.
- Solve problems including doubling, halving and sharing
- Explore characteristics of everyday objects and shapes and use mathematical language to describe them

This half term our topic in
Reception will be

People and



Places

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Miss Thomas and Miss Teasdale

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information!**