

Nursery Spring term A Curriculum Newsletter

Our learning experiences in Spring term A, will help us to explore the world around us; the season we are in and the different creatures that live in the local area and in other places around the world. We will also explore how to be healthy. Follow our learning river for information on what we will cover and ideas on how you can support this learning at home.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Children will:

- Learn about **friendship, kindness and sharing**
- Talk about feelings and how to help others
- Take turns and work as part of a group



Communication & Language

Children will:

- Build confidence speaking with adults and friends
- Learn new vocabulary through stories and rhymes
- Begin to retell events and stories in order

Literacy



Children will:

- Enjoy a wide range of stories and rhymes
- Recognise their **own name**
- Hear rhymes and initial sounds
- Draw shapes and begin writing their name



Mathematics

Children will:

- Count and recognise **numbers 3, 4 and 5**
- Match numbers to quantities
- Explore how numbers are made up
- Identify simple shapes such as triangles and squares



Understanding the World



Children will:

- Explore **winter**, weather and seasonal change
- Learn about ice, freezing and melting
- Find out about animals that hibernate
- Begin learning about different jobs and countries



Physical Development

Gross motor: running, jumping, climbing, balancing, bikes and ball skills

Fine motor: mark making, scissors, dough gym and dressing skills

Expressive Arts & Design

Children will:

- Explore materials, textures and colour mixing
- Draw and create with increasing detail
- Take part in pretend play and small world play
- Sing songs, play instruments and move to music





Religious Education

Children will:

- Learn that **Jesus was born for everyone**
- Hear stories of Jesus welcoming children
- Learn the 'Glory Be' prayer
- Explore how we show love through kindness and care

Enrichment & Special Events

- Winter walk
- Forest School visit
- Valentine's story time
- **Shrove Tuesday** - pancake making
- **Ash Wednesday**



Stories

- *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*
- *Bear Snores On*
- *I Can Fly*

Rhymes & Songs

- *Incy Wincy Spider*
- *Row, Row, Row Your Boat*
- *If You're Happy and You Know It*
- *10 Little Fingers, 10 Little Toes*
- *The Grand Old Duke of York*
- **Maths Rhymes**
- *Three Blind Mice*
- *5 Little Snowmen*
- *Alice the Camel*



Computing & Online Safety

Children will:

- Explore technology safely (iPads, cameras)
- Use **Purple Mash (Mini Mash)** to support learning
- Learn about staying safe online in an age-appropriate way



How You Can Help at Home

- Read stories and sing rhymes together
- Count everyday objects
- Encourage independence with dressing
- Talk about feelings and friendships
- Explore the outdoors and winter weather