#### **Mathematics**

- Point with my finger to help me to count things in an irregular arrangement
- Counting 1 or 2 things to take away from a larger group
- Join in counting songs and clap or stamp up to 5 times
- Experiment with marks and symbols and numeral formation
- Identify patterns around, see dots and stripes
- Link numerals to amounts up to 3
- Investigating height, length and capacity
- Comment on weight, height and capacity using; heavy and not heavy, full and not full and tall and not tall, short, big, small.
- ♦ Beginning to copy AB patterns

### Expressive Arts & Design

- Explore texture with a variety of tools and equipment
- Join different materials using glue and Sellotape
- Develop own ideas and decide which materials to use to express them
- Draw with increasing complexity and detail such as a circle to represent a face with some features added
- Use language and familiar words to pretend play and add sounds such as whispering, snoring and stamping
- Move in response to an instrument and make a variety of sounds long, short, high low with my voice and body percussion that creates a rhythm and composition

# Spring 1





#### Physical Development

## Understanding the World

- Talk about how I am getting bigger and what age some of my relatives are
- Plant seeds in the Pre-School garden and watch them grow over time

I know traditional tales were written a long time ago

- Watch out for signs of winter and how that feels and what it's like outside as it gets closer to spring
- Talk about where we live and how we get to Pre-School
- Name some types of clothing
- Talk about my family and what they do in the day, what job they may have and the interests we share
- Talk about different occupations and what I have experienced first hand such as, coffee shop workers and MacDonald's, visiting the doctors or dentist seeing a supermarket or vets
- The weather and its effects outdoors on the enviroment and how we feel what we see; cold, hot, wet, ice, shade, sun rays, shadows
- Trying new foods, making and baking with ingredients

#### Gross Motor

- Take part in games holding, balancing and throwing bean bags and balls
- Collect and arrange a variety of large and small outdoor resources to carry out a plan
- Work in a team to set up the obstacle course and build a boat or bridge
- Put my hood on my head, put one arm in and grab around to place the other arm in my coat
- ♦ Begin to undo and fasten Velcro on my shoes

#### Fine Motor Skills

- Use a variety of tools and pens and pencils to follow lines and close lines to create a shape
- Manipulate dough with purpose and push and press and pinch with tommy thumb and Peter pointer
- Recall where my thumb goes to snip into paper and practise cutting along a straight line
- Form the capital letter in my name independently and trace the other letters with support

## Communication and Language

- Listening to friends and responding
- Focussing for longer at an new activity
- Use a variety of new words from stories
- Understanding prompts during play such as; 'let's fly'
- ♦ Continue a sound pattern with my voice or body
- ♦ Talk about the main characters in a story

### Literacy

- Begin to hear and say some initial sounds in words
- Find their name and photo amongst others
- Begin to recognise words that begin with the same sound
- Answer 'what' questions and point to what I'm talking about
- ♦ Choose a book and look at it independently
- ♦ Join in with a story and repeat phrases with support
- Recall simple sequences in familiar stories using props and puppets
- Trace all the letters in their name with support and begin to use handwriting pencils to write the capital letter
- Use writing tools to form patterns from top to bottom up and around
- Make circle shapes, closing the line and beginning to start at the top working round in an anti-clockwise direction

## <u>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</u>

- Noticing physical changes to my body when I am sad, tired, angry
- Explore 'colour monster 'colours to help me to identify what emotion I may be feeling
- Getting to know how to change to a different colour will help me to calm down or lift my sprits
- Buddy up at playtime with different children
- ♦ Choose activities and resources independently
- Listen to a friend's ideas about toys
- Share and take turns using timers and other strategies
- Try new fruits and vegetables and know that they are healthy for me

