

# Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

Enclosed in this letter is an overview of all the exciting learning your child will be completing this term.

Our topics for this term are 'Nursery Rhymes' and 'All about me'. The children will be learning to sing and act out a range of nursery rhymes. They will be discussing their likes and dislikes and will be encouraged to talk about their families.

If you require any further information about your child's learning, please speak to any member of the Nursery staff.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Richardson, Mrs Bould, Mrs Heasman and Mrs Parkinson  
Nursery Staff

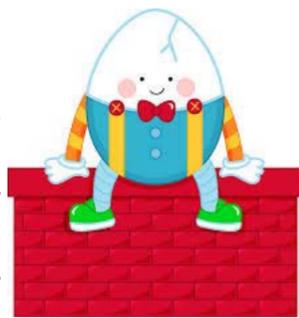
## Literacy

Our learning will be based around a range of different texts, including 'The Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell and 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy. The children will be encouraged to talk about the characters, settings and events of the stories they read.

The children will be learning to sing a range of Nursery Rhymes, identifying missing words or phrases.

During daily phonics lessons, the children will develop their listening skills, distinguishing between loud, quiet, short and long sounds. They will listen out for the different sounds within the classroom.

Each child has received their own special name card and they will be learning to recognise and write the letters in their name.



## Mathematical Development

During the Term, the children will learning to:

- Recite numbers to 10 and above.
- Understand that numbers identify how many objects are in a set.
- Show an interest in numbers in the environment, recognising the numbers 0-10.
- Name and describe the properties of 2D shapes and use shapes to create pictures and models.



## Personal, Social and Emotional

During the term, the children will be:

- Making new friends.
- Learning to share and take turns.
- Beginning to understand and follow our school's STARS values and classroom routines.



## Understanding the world

During our topic, 'All About Me', the children will be encouraged to talk about their likes, dislikes and things that they are good at.

To link in with our learning about nursery rhymes, the children will sing the Incy Wincy Spider song, go on a spider hunt around the school and learn about how spiders spin webs.

During the second half of the term, the children will learn about different festivals and celebrations such as birthdays, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, Diwali and Christmas. They will explore how, why and where the festivals are celebrated around the world. The children will describe special times they celebrate with their families.



## Expressive Arts and Design

During our Nursery Rhymes topic, the children will use role play to act out the rhymes. They will paint self-portraits and use a range of collage materials to create their own Incy Wincy spider and models of Humpty Dumpty.

The children will use different paint, printing and collage techniques to create firework pictures, Christmas cards and decorations.



## Physical Development

The Nursery children will have daily access to our outdoor area and climbing equipment. The children will be learning how to use this equipment safely.

Over the term, the children will take part in daily dough disco sessions which encourage the children to develop their fine motor skills and get the muscles in their fingers warmed up and ready for writing.



## Other Information

### Home Reading

Families are able to access the reading books which the children read in school for free on the Oxford Owl website ([home.oxfordowl.co.uk](http://home.oxfordowl.co.uk)). Encourage your child to use the pictures to describe what is happening in the story and discuss how the characters may be feeling.

### Tapestry

Tapestry is the tool that we use in school to track and evidence your child's learning. You will be sent information to help you to log in to your child's Tapestry account. We would greatly appreciate if you could include photographs and a short piece of writing about your child's learning and experiences at home. For example, 'Daisy made a tower of 12 bricks and touched each one as she counted.'

Please ensure that all items of your child's uniform are clearly labeled with their name and that your child has a spare set of clothes and a water bottle in each day.



# Nursery Newsletter



## Autumn Term 2020