

Summer Term 2024

AREAS OF LEARNING FOR THE FOUNDATION STAGE

Nursery and Reception

Weekly themes

Foundation Stage planning is carried out on a weekly basis with a variety of topics being selected each term. We plan through a mixture of following children's interests and ensuring a broad curriculum content. For this reason, some topics may be removed or swapped. For the Summer Term 2024, Nursery and Reception will focus on:

Summer Term	
Week 1	Minibeasts – Lifecycle of a Butterfly
Week 2	Minibeasts – Science week – The Cautious Caterpillar.
Week 3	Growing – A Tiny Seed
Week 4	Traditional Tales – Goldilocks and the Three Bears.
Week 5	Traditional Tales – Goldilocks and the Three Bears.
Week 6	The Giant Jam Sandwich.
Half Term	
Week 7	Africa – The Ugly Five – History Fortnight
Week 8	Africa – Handa's Surprise – History Fortnight
Week 9	Birds – The Go Away Bird/Whoever Heard of a Flying Bird.
Week 10	Birds – Wordy Birdy/Mama Built a Little Nest.
Week 11	Sea Creatures – sea creatures and seaside's
Week 12	Summer time fun. – summer safety

Teaching and learning will be determined by both staff and children but linked to these topics.

Activities are both child led and adult led in order to cover all of the seven areas of learning. Each half term both Nursery and Reception parents are able to view the medium term plans outlining the activities that we plan to deliver.

A Guide to Foundation Planning

We use the 'Development Matters' document along with our own curriculum objectives and 'White Rose Maths' documents to aid our planning. These documents outline the key skills that children should achieve during certain age ranges, e.g. birth to three year olds, three to four year olds, Reception and the Early Learning Goals. We plan a range of practical, play based activities to ensure that children have been given a range of opportunities to develop these skills and demonstrate their learning.

The seven areas of learning through which the children learn have been broken down into sixteen assessment scales. These are outlined within the table below:-

Prime Areas of Learning
Personal, Social and Emotional Development PSED
Physical Development PD
Communication and Language C&L
Specific Areas of Learning
Literacy LIT
Mathematics MAT
Understanding the World UTW
Expressive Arts and Design EAD

*If you require additional information relating to our school curriculum, please ask at the school office or the Class teacher.