

Communication and Language

During Circle Time, children will begin to share their daily news with their friends. Children will be encouraged to describe events and experiences using past tense. Children will be encouraged to talk about their feelings, thoughts and ideas, expanding on sentences using words such as 'and' and 'because'. Children will be encouraged to participate in short conversations, listening carefully to others, and answering "how" and "why" questions.

Literacy

The children will continue to listen and participate in familiar stories, continue to talk about how different stories are structured, predict outcomes, think about alternative endings, and explore storylines and characters' emotions. The children will be encouraged to hear and say the initial sound in words. Children are supported to recognise and write their names.

Support your child at home by reading stories to them regularly.

Physical Development

By using climbing frames in the outdoor area, the children will develop strength, coordination, speed and spatial awareness. The children will continue to develop their fine motor skills using a variety of tools such as: pencils, markers, scissors, pipettes, plastic knives, forks, etc. The children will continue their pre-writing activity as they will work on controlling the pencil with the correct tripod grip. The children will participate in a variety of team games that focus on developing ball skills. The emphasis is on throwing and catching big balls. Children will be encouraged to stand on one leg.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will continue to learn the importance of being friendly and kind to their peers. The children are further encouraged to build respectful relationships with others. The children will learn that some of our actions can hurt others. The children will continue to use good manners. Children will discuss dangers and how to protect themselves and continue talking about actions and their consequences.

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Understanding of the World

As we moved into winter, we will help children become aware of the uniqueness of their surrounding environment. The children will learn about arctic animals and their environment. Through some experiments, the children discover that it's not just ice that melts.

Mathematics

This term there will be lots of practical maths exercises, such as physically counting objects, using a variety of maths resources. The children will go looking for numbers, colours and shapes and sing a variety of number songs. The children will work on recognising numbers up to 10, counting backwards and forwards to 10, and recognising when something is missing on a number line. The children will consolidate their knowledge of 2d shapes and will learn about basic 3d shapes.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will be encouraged to sing along to daily songs and nursery rhymes. The children will be encouraged to imitate and combine movements in response to music. The children will be encouraged to clap their hands and stomp their feet in a variety of ways to create simple repeating rhythms. The children will be encouraged to notice changes in properties of media, they will be encouraged to talk about what is happening and will be helped to think about cause and effect.