

# **Nursery: Autumn Term 2018**

# Communication & Language

We will be .....

- using lots of songs, stories and nursery rhymes to engage children in talk
- encouraging the children to join in with group discussion activities and games to help develop listening skills

#### At Home:

Share stories, rhymes and songs each day

## Physical Development

We will be ....

- exploring the nursery equipment
- developing children's fine motor skills by using resources, such as tweezers, play dough, threading and using pens and pencils
- encourage children to dress and undress independently and to wash their hands before snacks and after using the toilet

#### At Home:

Encourage independence when eating, dressing and toileting

#### Literacy

We will be ....

- encouraging children to differentiate between different sounds within the environment in order to develop their listening skills
- building up a collection of favourite stories, songs and nursery rhymes with the help of the children

#### At Home:

Share stories, rhymes and songs each day

The Big Idea: What is your name? What do you like to play, eat and read? How old are you? Do you live in a flat, a house or a boat? What is your favourite colour? During this topic we will focus on each child as an individual and give them time to tell us and show us who they are and what makes them 'special'. We will learn all about the people we will share our nursery with over the next year and begin to build strong relationships with our peers and staff. We will have lots of fun learning about ourselves and each other!

# Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be ....

- learning the routines of the nursery with the support of adults
- encouraging the children to become increasingly independent in all aspects of nursery life
- using our Golden Rules to support children in making positive choices
- supporting the children in developing their relationships with others

#### At Home:

Talk about your child's day - who have they played with? What have they enjoyed?

### Mathematics

We will be .....

- focussing on the children's understanding of counting and numbers through finger rhymes and songs
- exploring different shapes

#### At Home:

Count the steps you take up and down the stairs. Count sets of objects e.g. Lego, pens, toy cars. Talk about the shapes and colours of everyday objects

# Understanding the World

We will be ....

- exploring the nursery environment
- learning about ourselves, our family and our school community
- learning about Autumn and observing how the environment has changed

## At Home:

Take your child to areas of local interest e.g. the library, park, museum

# Expressive arts & design

We will be .....

- using different paints and collage materials for a variety of projects, including self-portraits
- learning how to use a range of equipment and techniques in our creations e.g. scissors, brushes, sponges
- encouraging the children to appreciate music by dancing, singing and playing instruments

## At Home:

Play games with your child e.g. board games and join in imaginative play