



Literacy

We read at least one story or book everyday and introduce and talk about new vocabulary. This term we will be reading books that use rhyme, we will identify rhyme and will have lots of fun making up our own silly rhymes. The children can look at and re-read these books many times in our book area. This encourages a love of reading and a greater understanding of books and rhyme. As well as stories we will be reading poems and non-fiction books such as how people celebrate Chinese new year.

Understanding the World

We love spending a lot of time outside in nursery. The children are able to free flow in and out of nursery whatever the weather. We visit the sensory garden every week and are encouraged to explore the space independently.

This term we will be looking at how the garden changes in the winter. We will look for signs of winter such as frost, ice and maybe some snow. This term we will be celebrating differences between people, particularly when we learn about Chinese new year. We will also be learning about how we change as we grow up and how we have changed since we were a baby.

Communication and Language

- We will enjoy listening to rhyming stories and songs and making up our own silly rhyming words.
- Introduce and talk about new words.
- Celebrate and talk about how we are different. Talk about how we have changed as we have grown up.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- To be more independent, practice zipping up our own coat and putting our shoes on.
- To develop own interests and share those with friends.
- To keep trying when things are difficult.

Math's

The children have lots of opportunities to explore numbers and counting both indoors and outdoors. This term we will be encouraging fast recognition of objects (up to 5) without counting them. We will be talking about 2-d and 3-d shapes; we will be identifying the differences and similarities between them both.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children have built up lots of experiences and skills throughout the autumn term. This term we will be asking the children to be more independent when using the creative table. The children are able to select from a wide range of materials to make their own creations. We will focus on joining different materials together and then decorating them.

Physical Development

- We encourage the children to explore the outdoors both in the nursery and the sensory garden. The children are encouraged to take appropriate 'risk' to extend and increase their gross motor skills. This might be balancing along a low beam or hanging from the rope.
- The children will have lots of opportunities to increase their control and strength when using pens and pencils.