Nursery - Autumn Term 2026

Marvellous Me and Space

COMMUNICATION & LANGUAGE

- Environmental sounds, rhythm, rhyme and alliteration
- Listen and follow classroom rules and instructions
- Show an interest in books and handle them carefully
- Using language skills in the role play area
- Listens to others and can focus attention

MATHEMATICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Counting to 10 and beyond
- Use numbers in everyday routines e.g. completing the calendar, counting number of children at school using self-registration.
- Sing number songs, recognise number digits 0 – 10
- Shape recognition

LITERACY DEVELOPMENT

- Hears a rhyming string
- Listens to and joins in with daily stories including rhyming books
- Hears the initial sounds in words
- Recognises own name and names of peers in the classroom
- Mark making, including writing their name
- Link letters to actual objects in our environment

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Begin to self-help, self-care, make choices and express emotions and emotional needs
- Respect and interact appropriately with friends
- Understand our emotions and how we can express what we are feeling e.g through music
- Rules, responsibilities and acceptable behavior
- Tidying and caring for their environment
- Separate from main carer happily

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Developing fine motor control e.g. threading, play dough, mark making, cutting
- Beginning to hold a pencil using a quadrupod grasp
- Developing gross motor control e.g. bikes, large construction
- Spatial awareness and safety of themselves and others
- Dressing/undressing – blazer, big coat, role play clothes and gym shoes

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

- Talk about their families
- Learn about other families similarities and differences
- Look at some of the things that make them unique
- Discussing different religious festivals

EXPRESSIVE ARTS & DESIGN

- Drawing their family
- Painting themselves/friends
- Story role play
- Mark making
- Exploring a variety of materials

FRENCH

Various songs, stories and activities to practise the following topics:

- Greetings
- Animals
- Colours
- Numbers up to 5

GYM

- Follow simple instructions for games
- Find own space in the hall
- Using their bodies to move around the hall in different ways

MUSIC

- Action songs
- Finger games
- Simple songs and movement will all be enjoyed to develop awareness of pulse and develop voice control