

Friday 7th January 2022

Year group: Nursery

Class: Acorn

Teacher: Ms Chohan

Key Workers: Mrs Halligan, Mrs Harrison and Miss Kelly

Curriculum Letter- Spring 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to you all and welcome back to Nursery.

We are looking forward to an exciting term of learning together. For Spring One our topic is; Animals. Our key texts will be; 'We're going on a bear hunt' by Michael Rosen and 'The Train Ride' by June Crebbin.

Below you will find out what we will be covering in each area of learning and how you can help at home.

Maths

Represent, compare and compose numbers to 3. Finding all the different way to make numbers to 3.

Subitising, which means recognising amounts without counting up to three.

Learning about one more and one less than a number.

Learning about the about shapes with four sides.

At home you can; play lots of counting games, look for numbers in the environment, play games like dominoes and do lots of counting with your children. You can look for shapes in everyday objects.

Numberblocks on CBeebies have great programmes to support your child's learning about number.

Literacy

Join in with and retell stories in our own words.

Recognise repeated patterns in a text.

Draw/write our own story maps and tell our own stories based on the books we will be learning.

Give meaning to the marks we make.

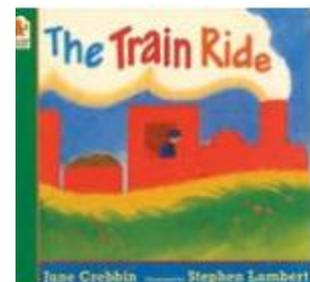
Begin to form some simple letters.

Write their name by tracing or copying.

Hold a pencil/pen correctly.

At home you can; read lots of stories to your child, encourage your child to draw simple stories based on the stories they love.

Support your child in holding a pen correctly and learning to write their name with a capital letter to start and the rest lower case.



Understanding World

Observing seasonal change and going on Winter walks.

Ice experiments

Cooking-making biscuits.

Finding out about floating and sinking.

Finding out about the important different jobs people do to help us.

Finding out about different types of transport.

We will learn about Chinese New Year.

A big thank you to those who have contributed to the **£2.50** half termly activity money. If you would like to donate the Activity Box is in the Nursery cloakroom or hand in to a member of staff. Thank you.

Physical Development

Be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed, for example putting coats on and doing up zips

Ball skills – throwing and catching

Riding a bike and a scooter

How to use scissors safely and correctly

How to form shapes and letters with increasing skill in our writing.

How to move along/balance apparatus safely, jumping off and using steps.



Expressive Art and Design.

Using natural materials to make art work and maps.

Painting bears, following instructions to form the shapes of a bear.

Model making, boats and vehicles

Printing using everyday objects.

Learning new songs and rhymes, wheels on the bus, down in the station, teddy bear teddy bear, and ten in a bed.

Perform song and rhymes we know with instruments.

Personal, Social and Emotional Education

To embed the new school values

To form special friendships with others, playing and taking turns.

To follow instructions and routines in Nursery.

Our JIGSAW topic is Dreams and Goals. Where the children will learn about the importance of remaining positive when faced with challenges. And to help each other learn when needed. Maybe at home you could think of a new skill your child would like to learn such as using scissors or riding a bike and work on this together.

Phonics

We follow the Letters and Sounds Phonics programme and will teach your child the Phase One and Phase Two activities which involve lots of listening games. And introducing initial letter sounds.

At home you could play listening games, listen out for sounds such as birds, cars, and wind when out and about. Watch Alphablocks on CBeebies and reads lots to your child.

Below is a link to the letters and sounds document used to teach your child the early reading skills they need.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/190599/Letters_and_Sounds_-_DFES-00281-2007.pdf

Below is a YouTube link you could use to find out how to pronounce the initial sounds correctly.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ksblMiliA8>

If you have any questions please feel free to chat to us on the door.

Thank you
Nursery Team