

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Communication and Language</b></p> <p>This area of development is vitally important in nursery. We encourage language development as soon as the children arrive. From greeting peers and adults with 'hello' to sharing though feelings and preferences. Language is embedded in everything we do. In nursery, children have opportunities to participate in small group, class and one to one to one discussions. Role-play, practical experiences and peer interactions are really valued. We also enjoy carpet time, story time and group activities to encourage language development. We are proud to be celebrating our Bilingual <b>Multilingual SMART Nursery</b> status.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</b></p> <p>To support the children's understanding around their own feelings and emotions, we will introduce the story of 'The Colour Monster'. He also allows the children to think about how their actions affect the feelings of others.</p> <p>Elmer the Elephant will help us to find our place in the herd, think about what make us similar and unique and how we treat each other.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physical Development</b></p> <p>We introduce the indoor and outdoor environment to the children from day one. There are many physical challenges throughout the nursery environment. This allows the children to develop the skills they need to manoeuvre safely and independently. We also begin to explore the wider school, engaging in our daily walks hunting for natural treasures around the big school grounds.</p> <p>We offer <b>Fine motor</b> challenge through playdough. Malleable materials, child initiated activities, small world play, mark making and lots more fun activities.</p> <p><b>Gross motor</b> skills are developed further through gardening, bikes, trikes, balls, balancing tyres and the large apparatus at the big school.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Literacy</b></p> <p>We choose weekly stories, which are linked to our theme, topic or season. This term, we will be sharing 'The Colour Monster', 'Elmer the Patchwork Elephant', 'A Squash and a Squeeze, Duck in a Truck and Harvest/Farm – (nonfiction) stories.</p> <p>Widget sheets to support the stories are posted through Dojo weekly and are always available in your child's home language. Please see front lobby notice board.</p> <p>This term, the focus is simply to explore books, meet the characters from the story, learn to handle them appropriately and to listen to adults reading. We also share our story cube with the children and just learn to develop a love of books.</p>
<h2>Getting to know us, Harvest &amp; Farms</h2>			
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mathematics</b></p> <p>We introduce nursery rhymes and counting songs to the children that we sing daily. This repetition helps to encourage recognition and recall of numbers to 10 initially, then beyond.</p> <p>Through various planned and spontaneous activities, we introduce counting, Measure and distance through harvest and farm activities. Our fantastic new kitchen and role- play areas will provide the children with lots of opportunity to start to explore number, counting, shape, size and groups independently.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Understanding the World</b></p> <p>Festivals, celebrations and cultural values play a huge part in nursery life. We love to find out about and celebrate all sorts of events. We learn about different faiths and cultures from all around the world. This term, we are looking forward to celebrating the 'Moon' festival, 'Harvest festival' and 'Diwali'.</p> <p>We will also share our World Wild Life (WWF) animals update with the children.</p> <p>Each term we look closely at the world around us and observe the changes that</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Expressive Arts and Design</b></p> <p>The Colour Monster &amp; Elmer will help us to explore colours, shades, mixing and patterns in our wonderful new art room. The children will be offered independent explorations in this area of learning, from hand painting to whole body art. We will use nature, instruments and music to help us develop expression and movement.</p> <p>We will develop Percy's café and the seasonal kitchen with herbs, cereals and natural materials like conkers, acorns and pinecones.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Characteristics of Effective Teaching and Learning</b></p> <p>Through our continuous provision, the children learn to <b>play and explore</b>, plan and think about how they want to play. They learn to make independent choices and bring their own interests and fascinations into our classroom.</p> <p>Through <b>Active Learning</b>, the children start to show goal directed behaviour and begin to correct mistakes for themselves.</p> <p>Through <b>Creating and Thinking Critically</b>, the children learn to take part in simple pretend play, review their progress and</p>

<p>The children can also independently explore measuring, pouring, floating and sinking concepts through child initiated explorations and adult led activities</p>	<p>happen to the trees, the weather and our garden.</p>		<p>begin to feel more confident, coming up with their own ideas.</p>
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