

How you can help at home



During the summer term we will be preparing your child for the transition to school (for our older children). This is an exciting time but can also be a cause of anxiety for both your child and you as a parent. Any concerns or questions please ask a member of staff and they will be happy to help.

Staff enjoyed seeing you at the 'Stay and Play' sessions last term. A lovely opportunity to see your child in their setting, happy and settled, and to briefly chat to us if you wanted to. We are hoping to plan another set of these this term. Please continue this term to give your child the opportunity to develop their independence, e.g. putting their own coat on and fastening it themselves, getting their water bottle to bring to school, getting themselves dressed. This will also develop their fine motor skills which are required to hold pencils, manipulate objects and of course build their self-confidence and help the children who are moving into Reception be ready for this transition.

Developing listening skills can be tricky, but is a really important skill to have. Give your child time to develop this skill and try to be patient with them through playing simple games or following instructions.

Please continue to share books with your child and talk to them about the pictures and what is happening in the story as well as singing nursery rhymes together.

Continue to support your child with their early writing, perhaps practicing recognising and writing their name (in lower case letters) in preparation for school. Any reinforcement you can give them at home helps to build their skills and confidence.

Communication & Language

We will be learning to sing a large repertoire of songs. Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story.

We will enjoy listening to longer stories and try to remember much of what happens.

Learning to pay attention to more than one thing at a time, which can be difficult.

Maths

We will be using a variety of materials for the children to explore, looking at size, measure, comparing quantities, shape and numerical patterns.

We will be developing counting behaviour in

Understanding the World

Continue developing positive attitudes about the differences between people. Show interest in different occupations

Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice.

Nursery Summer Term

Skills Map

This term, we will be working on these skills taken from the Development Matters

Physical Development

We will be helping the children to revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired.

To continue to develop their small and large movement skills.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will help the children to develop their sense of responsibility and membership of a community. Talking about their feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried'.

The children will be increasingly independent in meeting their own

Literacy

We will be developing their awareness of sound (phonics).

Motivating children to begin early writing by providing opportunities in a wide range of ways. E.G - clipboards outdoors, chinks for paving stones, notepads in the home corner.

Expressive Art & Design

We will be using various craft materials to develop our creativity and express our ideas and feelings.

We will encourage the children to use and develop their imagination through role-play, singing, dancing and mark