Personal Social and Emotional

We will be welcoming new families, supporting the children to embed daily routines and understand the importance of these.

We will encourage sharing and turn taking through carefully planned activities. We will help develop independence and build constructive and respectful relationships.

Mathematics

We will be modelling and encouraging children to use mathematical language in their play such as more or less. Using a variety of activities, we will allow the children to experiment with mass and capacity encouraging their own ideas about how things work. We will introduce numerals 1-10 and help them make links between number and numeral using favourite songs and rhymes.

Understanding the World

We will provide opportunities to share experiences such as at circle time. We will use the touch screen computer and iPads to complete simple programs. This will allow for choice and investigation. We will be talking about what makes us special and how we are different from others, celebrating diversity.

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Communication and Language

We will be encouraging the children to speak about what they observe at circle time, holidays they have been on, the weather and the world around them. We will provide lots of opportunities to make up stories using their own experiences.

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We will be making observations of the world around us, discussing different seasons and what changes there are. We will investigate other countries and notice the similarities and differences from our own.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will be encouraged to be expressive using a range of media such as paint, clay, tissue paper and card to create pictures or 3D art. We will provide lots of opportunities for drawing and assigning meaning to their marks. We will encourage children to share their own experiences and to use them in small world and role play activities. We aim to inspire our children to boost their confidence through singing and dancing.

Physical

We will encourage the children to develop their abilities through a range of gross motor activities such as climbing, pedalling, and scooting whilst recognising the impact this has on their bodies. Fine motor skills will be supported through activities such as peg boards, scissors, pens and playdough. Planned activities will encourage the children to explore different ways of moving their bodies, developing their confidence as they do so.

Literacy

Stories in Seedlings are an essential part of our daily practise. We provide lots of opportunities to retell, extend their vocabulary and use their imagination. Using name cards, pegs and drawers we will support the children to recognise letters in print and associate the sounds in their own names. The children will be given opportunities to develop their phonological understanding by going on sound hunts and listening for initial sounds in words.

How can you help?

Talk to your child about what they like to do at Preschool. Regularly share their favourite stories and rhymes. Read their chosen book from their book bag each week and ask them questions about it. Practice counting objects, steps etc. up to 10. Use phonic sounds when spelling their name and point out letters in the environment. Thank you.