

Curriculum Spring Term 2024 – Shape and Size – January to April 2024

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| Communication & Language | | Personal, Social and Emotional Development | | Physical Development | |
| Thrive programme / Talking Time activities  Encourage to ask questions  Answer questions  Build on expressive skills, lengthen sentences to 3-4 words  Listening to stories, filling in words  Understanding and following instructions | | Settle in, and separate from carer  Peer play, sharing resources  Negotiating and turn-taking  Confidence to ask for help  Awareness of own needs  Initiate play with peers  Link ideas, offer cues to others  Enjoy responsibility of carrying out small tasks  Find a compromise  Healthy Eating & Self-Care  Try new foods | | Gross motor – try climbing frames, balance equipment, hoops and ball skills  Large block play, toddle blocks and waffle shape constructions  Pedalling/jumping/hopping skills  Fine motor – develop muscles in fingers – to try scissors, pencils, brushes. Paint pens/shaving brushes  Encourage tripod grip | |
| Literacy | Mathematics | | Understanding the World | | Expressive Arts and Design |
| Encourage a love of books, stories and rhymes  Familiarise with favourite stories, retell, and predict new endings  Start to hear rhyme  Offer own words for alliteration  Story scribing, let imaginations take off!  Singing | Counting  Recognise some numerals in 1-10  Confident with 1-5 and their bonds  Match numeral to quantity  Shapes.. sorting into groups of size, colour, and finding 2D shapes in the environment  Matching shapes, puzzles  Comparative language.. Big/Small  Compare size, height, weight | | Small world play  How things work  Recall special times in their lives  Explore the local area – walks  Festivals – talk about celebrations & try new food or activities  Explore weather  Burns Night  Chinese New Year  St David’s Day  Mothering Sunday  St Patrick’s Day  Easter | | Construct with a purpose – junk modelling  Choose tools and extra resources to  Explore all construction resources (Duplo/Mobilo/Brio mech/Lego/Wooden bricks)  Explore tubes/holes and select tools to compliment constructions  Create flags, lanterns, crowns, bunny ears |