

## PSHE

This half term's focus is 'Being Me'. We will be learning about: Who am I?, how am I feeling?, my school family, gentle hands and Creating our Nursery charter.

## RE

We will be learning about special people and what makes a person special. The religions we will be focusing on are Christianity and Judaism.

## Literacy

Our story focus this half term is Monkey Puzzle. We will be learning new vocab linked to the story, learning about the characters and words to describe them. We will be encouraging the children to make marks in the environment and to begin to give meaning to them. To end the topic we will be creating a lost poster for monkey using the describing words collated over the half term.

## Understanding the world

What is a family?

The half term we will be focusing on who we are, who our families are and describing a special family event or celebration. We will be looking at photos of our family and describing them to our peers. We will also be learning about Monkeys, linked to our story 'Monkey Puzzle'.

## Maths

During our Maths sessions, we will be focusing on identifying and naming primary and secondary colours, matching and sorting objects by shape, size or colour, comparing objects by size and categorising by big and little. We will also look at ABAB patterns.

Counting will be covered throughout the nursery day which includes rote counting, counting on fingers and counting objects.

**Nursery**  
Here is where  
my story  
begins...

## Communication and language

We will be focusing on improving the children's listening and attention skills. We will be

- Listening to a selection of stories
- Listen to others in small groups or one to one
- Develop an understanding of simple concepts such as big/little.

## Music

In this unit, children will be encouraged to find their singing voice and explore other vocal sounds. They will learn a repertoire of simple songs that they can become familiar with and have experience of putting actions to songs and moving to the pulse. We will also be singing a large variety of nursery rhymes and songs throughout the nursery day.

## Physical Development

Initially, we will be focusing on ensuring the children have the skills and capabilities to be independent. We will be focusing on the children toileting themselves, feeding themselves, washing hands and helping to put on their own coat. We will be able to focus on the children doing big and small movements to aid writing and basic ball skills.

## Expressive Arts and Design

We are going to be learning and experimenting with colours, creating rainbows, choosing appropriate colours for animals linked to our story of 'Monkey Puzzle' and finally creating a self-portrait of ourselves using paint.