

PSHE/RE

This half term we will be starting our topic of relationships. This will include

- How to make friends.
- How to solve friendship problems.
- How to help others feel part of a group.
- To show respect in how we treat others.
- How to help ourselves when we feel upset.
- What makes a good relationship?

Literacy

Our story focus for this half term will be *The Hungry Caterpillar*. We will be reading this story, sequencing and verbalising the story. Our writing focus for this half term is to write an invitation. We will be having a healthy eating party at the end of the topic and the children will be writing an invitation to a friend. We are also going to be talking a sentence with the children and looking at what a sentence is.

Understanding the world

We are going to be continuing our work on plants and looking at the life cycle of a plant. We are then going to look at the life cycle of a butterfly. We have some caterpillars joining our Nursery. We are then going to look at food, where food comes from, food groups and healthy eating. At the end of this topic we will be having a healthy eating party.

Maths

Our focus this half term is -

- Sequencing – Nursery rhymes, Nursery school day.
- Positional Language
- More/Fewer
- 2D Shape
- 3D Shape

Nursery Understanding Our World *The Hungry Caterpillar*

Communication and language

- Responding to simple instructions
- Answering simple questions related to a story.
- Encourage children to join in with repeated refrains during story time.
- Use vocabulary based on objects and people that are of particular importance to them

Music

This half term we are very lucky to be having music sessions delivered to the children from the city music service.

Alongside this, we will be continuing to sing songs and rhymes. We are also going to be exploring percussion instruments and naming them.

Physical Development

This half term we will be focusing on our bodies.

We will be observing the effects of exercise on our bodies in more detail.

We will also be continuing to build strong muscles in our hands to improve fine motor. We will be doing this through many tricky fingers activities. We are going to continue improving our scissor skills.

Expressive Arts and Design

This half term we will be connecting our art and design with our topic of 'Understanding Our World'. We will be looking at the different patterns and shapes on butterflies. We will be creating some butterfly patterns and discussing symmetry.

Alongside learning about food, we will be learning all about the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo. We are going to be focusing on the different fruits and vegetables he used and try to recreate one of his famous pieces.