

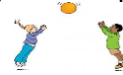
Communication and language



The children will be getting to know the other children in the unit and sharing information about themselves. We will be sharing the summer scrap books and learning to sit quietly and listen at carpet time.

We will be learning the story of the bear hunt and retelling it to each other using actions and props.

Physical Development



In PE the children are developing their spatial awareness skills. Hand gym will run for those children who need it and dough gym is available in busy bee time. Most days the children will have access to the bikes and scooters in our outside areas.

Personal, social and emotional development



The children will have family time daily with a variety of activities. Our PSHE Jigsaw puzzle piece this half term is focussing on 'being me in my world.' If you would like more information on Jigsaw please ask.

Literacy



The children will be learning to hold a pencil correctly and completing a series of handwriting patterns. We will be encouraging mark making in a variety of ways.

Phonics teaching will begin on Monday 20th September. Each day the children will come home with a new sound to practice.

Reading books with no words will be sent home Friday 17th September.



Mathematics



We are currently focussing on numbers 1-10 with a number of the day every day before lunch. We are also learning number songs and rhymes. There is a maths carpet session daily.

Understanding of the world



The children will be learning how to access and care for our early years unit. They will have access to the outside area where they can look closely at bugs and plants.



Expressive arts and design



During child initiated learning sessions the children are able to access a wide range of materials to make pictures and models of their own choice. We will be experimenting with mixing colours with paint.

Ways you can help your child with literacy:

- Read with your child at least 3 times a week.
- Practise saying the sounds and writing the correct letter formation.
- Use the word time sheet to practise blending sounds to read words.
- **Reading books will be changed Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.**

Ways you can help your child with numeracy:

- Have fun with numbers at home.
- Try the Topmarks and LCF maths websites at home.

Parent and carers' information:

- 20th September – phonics teaching begins
- Half term holidays Oct 25th – Oct 29th (break up on Friday 22nd)
- PE day is every Wednesday
- Look out for messages on Dojo!

Thank you for your continued support...
Starlings Class: Mrs Green and Mrs Russell
Woodpeckers Class: Miss Clark and Mrs French
Sparrows Class: Miss Brimecome and Miss Pryke
Year R ELSA: Mrs Sayer