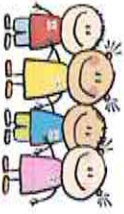




# Nursery Class

## Curriculum Newsletter



### Our Learning for this half-term...

Autumn 1

#### Theme for this half-term: 'Mirror Mirror'

This centres around us learning more about ourselves. We will be exploring this theme in different ways and it will run through our whole class work, group activities and our continuous provision play experiences. We will explore a particular aspect of this theme each week, as follows:

**Week 1 – 'Setting In':** Setting into our new surroundings, getting used to new routines and meeting new friends.

**Week 2 – 'Look at me':** We'll think about our bodies, what we look like and how we are the same and different..

**Week 3 – 'I Belong':** Discussing our families, our homes and comparing and contrasting with homes from around the world.

**Week 4 – 'I am Special':** We'll listen to each other to find out what we are good at and what we enjoy. We will be encouraged to 'try our best' in new challenges.

**Week 5 – 'Looking After Me':** We'll learn how to take care of ourselves by washing our hands, eating healthily and moving our bodies.

**Week 6 – 'My 5 Senses':** We'll be using our senses of touch and smell to discover the world around us.

**Week 7 – 'My 5 Senses':** We'll be using our senses of sight and taste to discover the world around us.

**Phonics** - We follow the DFES phonics programme 'Letters and Sounds'. This half-term we will start by focusing on rhyme and alliteration before we start to introduce children to the sounds different letters make, as well as the letter names. There will also be daily opportunities for children to hear oral blending and segmenting from adults.

**Reading** – We will share stories, rhymes and songs as a group daily in our classroom. Some of the stories we will focus on this half term include 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'Only One You'. Later in the term, based on each child's readiness, we will be sending books home for you to share together.

**Maths** - We deliver Number and Shape, Space and Measures through fun activities including songs and games. During this half term we will be focusing on recognising, counting and writing our 'Nifty Numbers' one and two and our Super Shape 'Suzy Circle'.

**R.E.** – Children will take part in a RE session each week. Our first focus topic is 'Myself' where children will be thinking about themselves, the importance of their name and what makes them special/precious to God. This will be followed by a focus on 'Belonging', where children will learn what it is to welcome and be welcomed and the meaning of Baptism.

**P.E.** – Our P.E time is Wednesday AM and PM. In the sessions we will be using our bodies to move in different ways, playing games, and learning new skills all related to the weekly theme. Afternoon children will also have the opportunity to take part in Little Kickers Sessions. Mindful of the colder weather it would be helpful if children could bring some jogging trousers in to wear during the session. All items of P.E kits should be clearly labelled with your child's name. Your child will come home wearing their PE kit each week so that it can be washed.