



# Nursery Curriculum Newsletter

## Spring Term 2023



Welcome back and we hope you enjoyed your break. Our first topic this half term is 'People who Help us' and after the February half term we will be looking at 'Growing'.

### **Literacy**

Within Early Years, talk is fundamental to learning. If children can talk, they can read and they can write. Spoken language is also modelled throughout the day and children are encouraged to talk in full sentences. Key vocabulary is repeated throughout the day. Key texts include: Topsy and Tim series, Titch, The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Jasper's Beanstalk.

### **Understanding the World**

One of our topics in the spring term is People Who Help Us. We encourage you to talk about how people help our local community.

### **Communication and Language**

The children will be encouraged to talk about the lives of people around them and their roles in society. We encourage you to ask questions to your child about what special hero they have been learning about.

### **Expressive Art and Design**

The children will have the opportunity in free flow to express themselves imaginatively through play, role play, dance, music, drawing, paint, design, technology, malleable materials and stories.

### **Maths**

In Nursery, we are looking at numbers up to 10 and exploring what this means, not just recognising it. We encourage you to give your child opportunities to explore maths when they don't know they are doing maths!

### **Physical Development**

At Nursery, your child will have lots of opportunities to use larger items and develop their gross motor skills, through various resources such as balancing equipment, climbing equipment, crates, wooden planks and hoops.

### **Personal Social and Emotional Development**

We will be encouraging your child to be increasingly independent in meeting their own care needs, e.g. using the toilet, washing and drying their hands thoroughly.

### **Reading**

In Nursery, we want to instil a love of reading in your child. They will have a story read to them by an adult daily and they will have access to a wide range of books in the book corner. We encourage you to read stories with your child daily. We look forward to hearing all about what their favourite books are.

### **REMINDER/GENERAL POINTS**

- Please make sure every item of your child's clothing has their **name written inside**, including bags and coats!
- Please ensure that all children have **wellies**. They will need wellies to be able to go to Academy Fields as part of our timetable and it can get very muddy over there!
- Please use Tapestry to show us your child's learning at home, it is a great way for us to see what they like doing at home.