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Physical Development

Physical development is an important part of the Early Years curriculum and supports children at this age with developing other skills, particularly writing.

Every **Friday** the children will have a P.E lesson and will need to arrive in school in sportswear.



Nature Detectives

Every **Monday**, the children will be taking part in outside activities. This will involve getting very muddy and using lots of natural resources to enhance our learning. Please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing to school and if possible, a pair of wellington boots in school would be fantastic.



Learning Through Play

The children in reception are lucky enough to be at the very important stage of learning through play. All the activities that the children will experience will be play based and full of fun.

We also follow the children's interest's closely to ensure everyone will be interested and engaged in the learning opportunities provided for them.

Maths development

During the first few weeks in Reception, we will start our Reception Maths Baselines to assess what the children already know. We will then work on bridging gaps in learning in terms of number conceptions – counting to 10 and beyond and knowing the correct order. Children will be using their fingers to show amounts up to 10 and will work on counting out a group of objects. We will also begin writing our numbers using our Smart Maths Early Years Programme. The children will have fun learning a song to help them remember how to form each digit from 0 to 9 correctly. We will also be sending this home so that you can help your child practice their numbers.

Literacy / Phonics

Every week in Literacy we focus on a different book which then links to our Thematic Topic of learning. The first half term is all about 'Incredible Me' so we will be reading books that focus on emotions, how the children feel in different situations and how we can recognise the emotions of others. We will also focus on our families and realise that not all families are the same. Alongside this the children will be thinking about how to take care of our bodies such as the importance of brushing our teeth. During the second half term we will be focusing on super stories – some of these the children may already be familiar with but we will talk about: what is a story? What does a story consist of? Who are characters in the story? It would be helpful if you could ask similar questions when reading at home with your child.

Thematic sessions

Understanding the World: During the term we be focusing on the season of Autumn and thinking about the natural world around us. We will go on Autumn walks listening to the sounds we can hear and notice the changes in the trees.

Expressive Art & Design: This is all about the children showing their creative side. The children will be doing many painting activities where they will be learning how to use a range of painting tools and techniques to create master pieces.

Personal, social and emotional: The children will have many opportunities to talk and listen to their friends about various topics. During the Autumn Term we will be focusing on 'Being me in my World' and 'Celebrating Differences'.