



# Nursery Class 2020/21

Hello, here is a little glimpse into our environment as we embark on a brand new year! We hope that you enjoy having a look, we are certainly enjoying having the children back and are very excited for the fun and learning adventures we will have as a cohort!





In Nursery we love to read, listen to and retell stories! Instilling a love of books at an early age is something we feel is key! The children enjoy exploring books independently in the reading area, developing their book handling skills and sharing stories with friends.



Literacy



In Nursery we encourage mark making in lots of different areas, using a range of media and materials.

From chalking outdoors using large body movements, to drawing, colouring and exploring letters and numbers.

The children love to get creative and we aim to develop their control when using different tools!



Literacy

# Phonics

In Nursery we teach Phase 1 Phonics and follow the Letters and Sounds Government scheme. The emphasis during Phase 1 is to get children attuned to the **sounds** around them and ready to begin developing oral blending and segmenting skills. This is broken down into the following 7 Aspects:

- Aspect 1: General sound discrimination - environmental sounds
- Aspect 2: General sound discrimination - instrumental sounds
- Aspect 3: General sound discrimination - body percussion
- Aspect 4: Rhythm and rhyme
- Aspect 5: Alliteration
- Aspect 6: Voice sounds
- Aspect 7: Oral blending and segmenting
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In Nursery the children are provided with the opportunity to role play and use their imaginations!

At the moment we have a home corner, allowing the children to emulate some of the experiences from their own homes and take on different roles.

Imaginative play encourages collaborative play, building on social and communication skills.



Imaginative Play





We follow the lead of the children when setting up and enhancing our areas of provision, at the moment the small world areas reflect the children's interest in all things reptilian, dinosaurs and dragons!



Imaginative Play



We encourage the children to develop their fine motor skills through a range of activities. From malleable play using play dough, to construction materials and creative tasks such as cutting and sticking!



Fine motor skills



We love to be outdoors! We are very lucky to have a large outdoor classroom filled with fun and exciting activities, but best of all SPACE! Running, climbing, riding bikes, developing ball skills, sand and water play... the list is endless!



Outdoor play





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## Our Daily Routine



A typical day in Nursery begins as it should, with lots of play! We deliver a welcome carpet session and a focused teaching session which could be Phonics, numeracy or Big Idea, before lunch (not forgetting the all important snack time!)

In the afternoons we carry out small group teaching sessions and activities designed to support and stretch individual children. We love to spend time with the children in the areas of provision, to extend and enhance their learning and encourage the development of communication and social skills.

The children have large periods of free flow time between indoors and outdoors and lots of activities to choose from that are interest based.





We hope that you  
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the environment, if you  
have any questions do  
not hesitate to get in  
touch!

