



Overview of Topics

Our theme this term will be superheroes. During this topic we will be learning about a variety of different superheroes and their special powers. The children will then be encouraged to use their imaginations to design and create their own special hero. We will also be: celebrating Chinese New Year, looking for signs of winter and thinking about climate change during our science focus week.

The Prime Areas:

Personal, Social and Emotional

We will be promoting our value this half term of **Friendship** by continuing to encourage the children to develop their friendships during child initiated learning. We will provide opportunities for the children to play in small groups, to extend and elaborate on their play ideas. We will also be focussing on the importance of healthy eating, during circle time.

Physical

During our PE lessons, we will be focussing on music and movement. The children will be thinking about how they can move their bodies, in time with the music. We will also be observing the effects that an activity can have on our bodies. We will continue to provide lots of opportunities for the children to develop their gross and fine motor skills through variety of fun activities.

Communication and Language

In phonics, we will be focussing on Phase 1 Aspect 4 - rhythm and rhyme. During our phonic sessions we will be singing a variety of nursery rhymes, listening to rhyming stories and playing lots of rhyming games such as: Silly soup and odd sound out - during these games the children will learn to identify which sound doesn't rhyme e.g. Cat, Mat, Sat and Dog.

The Specific Areas

Literacy

The children will continue to have a story read to them, daily. Our focus books this term will be: Goodbye Autumn, Hello Winter, Supertato, Superkid and Super Daisy. The children will continue to have lots of opportunities to develop their mark making skills, using a variety of different implements.

Mathematics

The children will be ordering numbers 1 - 5, matching numbers to their correct quantity and continue to show an awareness of shapes in the environment.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will be painting with coloured ice cubes, making their own super veg, designing and creating their own superheroes, playing in our supermarket and superheroes headquarters role play areas and much, much more.

Understanding the World

We will be looking for signs of Winter in our outdoor environment. We will introduce our weather chart and think about the changing weather conditions. In RE will be learning about Salvation and how Jesus rescued people. We will be learning about and celebrating Chinese New Year. During Science week, we will be thinking about climate change and what changes we can make, to make a difference.

Reminders

Please ensure all clothing is named and that suitable outdoor shoes are available for your child. We do go outside in the winter months and hats and gloves are advisable.

Plimsoles - If you haven't already done so, could you please provide a named, pair of plimsoles for your child.

School admissions - Forms need to be in by 15th January 2020 for admission to reception class this September. If you need any help with these forms or have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask and we will do all we can to help.

Epiphany Service - This will take place on Monday 6th January at 10.30am at Jesus Church.

Superhero Tea Party - We will be having a superhero tea party on Friday 14th February, to end a fun topic. Children can come to nursery dressed as their favourite character. Parents are welcome to join us at 11am.

Half Term Monday 17th to Friday 21st February

