



Holy Family Catholic School

Nursery Termly Learning Plan

Areas of Learning	Development Matters, Early Learning Goals
EYFS Nursery Term 2 SPRING TERM	
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	<p>The children will continue to develop their social skills by playing happily with their peers, exploring new environments and developing their confidence to have a go and try new things. They will be encouraged to show an awareness of the feelings of others around them, playing imaginatively with their peers and sharing the resources in Nursery.</p> <p>The children will begin to understand “me and others” and begin to understand how we are growing and caring for ourselves.</p>
Physical Development	<p>The children will be sowing seeds and monitoring our plants both inside and outside Nursery. They will be learning how to care for the plants and enjoy watching them grow. The children will be exploring the mud kitchen developing their gross and fine motor skills. They will continue to explore the bikes and scooters on a weekly basis and engage in physical activities that improve their gross and fine motor skills like jumping, climbing and crawling. The children will be encouraged to use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper and scissors.</p>
Communication and Language	<p>The children will be encouraged to listen and respond to questions and instructions, given by adults and their peers. They will be encouraged to listen attentively in a range of situations and Lola the Leopard will help the children to fine tune their developing listening skills. They will be encouraged to ask for help when they need it and speak in simple sentences. The children will be encouraged to join in with a variety of songs and rhymes daily.</p>
Literacy	<p>Children will have access to a range of mark making tools and will be supported in using these in their play. There will be a variety of gross and fine motor skills activities to build up the strength in their shoulders, arms and hands in readiness for holding writing tools. The children will continue to share books with an adult in our “Jungle room” and listen to stories in a large and small group settings. They will choose their own library book to take home and share with their grown-ups. Our focus author this term is Eric Carle and we will be looking at some of his stories, in particular The Very Hungry Caterpillar.</p>
Mathematics	<p>The children will continue to count objects in their play and will start to recognise some numbers in their daily activities. They will be encouraged to solve every day mathematical problems in their play and use mathematical language e.g. big, small, heavy, light, more and less. The children will continue to explore how different shapes fit together in their artwork, block play and jigsaw puzzles.</p>
Understanding the World	<p>We will have a visit from The Animal Man who will show the children a variety of birds, mammals and reptiles. We will have a visit from Vet Emily who will tell us all about her job and how she looks after animals. We will be looking at growing and life cycles and will be planting seeds and beans. We will have caterpillars and watch them grow and change into butterflies. We will also be learning about the celebrations of Chinese New Year and Eid and why these are special and important to many people, including the children’s own families.</p>

Expressive Arts and Design	The children will be exploring their cutting and sticking skills in the creative area and planning their intentions prior to their activity which will be open ended. They will use the big outdoor painting frame and explore new paints and colours in their messy play. The children will be introduced to the techniques of colour mixing with prime colours and explore painting with a range of tools such as cotton buds/vegetables and fruits.
RE	This term the children will be learning about the Sacrament of Baptism and how we are all part of God's family. They will begin to explore some special celebrations that happen in their lives and also begin to explore the theme of saying sorry during the season of Lent. As part of Catholic Social Teaching, we will be exploring the themes of Family and Community and the importance of Dignity of the Human Person through simple stories and discussion.