Literacy:

During term 1, we will begin developing our reading, writing, listening and talking skills. All children will have the opportunity to:

Reading

- begin to recognise their own name in different situations
- visit the library to choose a book

Writing

- use different materials to mark-make inside and out
- begin to recognise some letters, and try to copy them
- · talk about their pictures and writing

Listening and talking

- begin to understand when to talk and when to listen, taking turns
- begin to listen to stories, and talk about their likes and dislikes
- enjoy time in the library

Health & Wellbeing:

During term 1, we will help children understand the world we live in. All children will have the opportunity to:

- begin to understand and use the vocabulary for different emotions, e.g. happy, sad, excited, angry, anxious
- learn strategies to help them cope with change and challenge
- develop their gross motor skills through practice and energetic play inside and outside
- learn about what is required to look after a baby
- have lots of opportunities to play outside, build independence and play cooperatively with others

Numeracy:

All children will have opportunities to:

- begin counting using one-to-one correspondence up to 5 for most and up to 20 from some
- begin to understand 'one more', and 'one less'
- understand that money is used to buy things, and items cost different amounts
- understand that coins are worth different amounts, and the number on the coin reflects the value
- recognise and name some 2D and 3D shapes in the environment
- compare objects and begin to use the vocabulary, longer/shorter, heavier/lighter, thicker/thinner

Contexts for Learning:

In nursery we follow the children's interests for learning, and don't have a specific learning context ('topic') at any time.

We do however use the interests of the children to develop their skills in different ways, encouraging creativity, depth, challenge and curiosity.

As the weather changes, we will continue to be outside as much as we can, enjoying the Fairy garden, orchard and Nature's Wood. Please remember a waterproof jacket and wellies every day (trousers or puddle suits if possible too!).

Other Information:

- As the weather remains fair, please make sure you child has had sun cream applied before coming to nursery if required. Please also make sure your child has a coat, waterproofs and wellies as well, just in case!
- We love to share our learning on Seesaw if you haven't had a code yet, please speak to the school office. If you have had access in previous years, you do not need a new code.
- Nursery closes on Friday 6th October for 2 weeks (different arrangements for those on the extended pattern of attendance).

