



Spring 2023 1st Spring Term – Nursery

We hope you all had an enjoyable and restful holidays. The children have come back excited to explore and spend time with their friends. We have loved hearing them talk about their Christmas break. They have been very eager to tell us all about it, especially all the wonderful presents Father Christmas left for them!

We have learnt how to sign Happy New Year, in Makaton and we looked at the numbers, 2, 0, 2, and 3, recognising each number and making each number with our fingers. ..

This half term we will be looking at "Super Heroes." We will be taking a special story each week, starting with "Supertato," then "Superworm," "Superkid" and "Super Daisy." We will be exploring what qualities a super hero has, and what sort of special powers we would like! Using our School's Golden Rules of "Aim High, Be Kind," we will think about how we can be real life heroes in Foxglove Class!

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

The children will continue to build and develop relationships with peers and adults. They will be encouraged to play cooperatively alongside their peers and friends to create games and ideas. We will be focussing especially on helping each other and being kind.

Communication & Language

This term we will continue to introduce key words each week based around our topic, to add to our word wall. We will be taking turns to talk around the circle, with an emphasis on the importance of listening to each other, and recalling, and answering questions in Story Time.

Physical Development

During outdoor play, the children will develop their gross-motor skills as they navigate objects and steer vehicles. We will also be working on balancing and jumping from obstacles too. The children will be using their fine-motor skills to manipulate a wide variety of materials in messy play and will continue to work on their hand dominance during mark-making.

Literacy

We are very excited to be starting Letterland this term. Each week the children will learn a new sound and their corresponding Letterland character. We will be starting with the sound 'a' and sharing stories, songs and games each day. We will be focusing on objects in the environment and their initial sounds.

Maths

We will be expanding our number skills and really focussing on counting, recognising and matching numerals and quantities within 3. We will also be exploring shapes, using numicon and will be enjoying shape hunts around our environment.

Understanding the World

Through our topic stories we will look at frozen vegetables and healthy super foods. We will look at how a worm moves and helps in a garden. We will think about real powers and imaginative powers and real heroes in our lives.

Expressive Arts

We will be making a Supertato with real potatoes, exploring messy play trays full of spaghetti Superworms, dressing up in Super hero costumes, and make superhero headdresses and wands. We will continue to explore paint, playdough, drawing materials and role play.

Reminders for this half term

- ★ Please ensure your child has **all** winter kit in school including wellington boots and waterproof winter coats – **all clearly labelled with their name please!**
- ★ The children should be bringing a clearly named school water bottle to school with them every day.
- ★ All children must have a spare set of clothes in school. If these are sent home, please replenish them the following day.
- ★ A reminder for children who stay for lunch that our policy is strictly 'no chocolate and no nuts' in packed lunches.

Mrs Harvey and Mrs Fraser ☺