

# Spring 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Term – Nursery

Welcome back! We hope you have all enjoyed a happy half term break. We had a truly "Super" time last half term exploring what it is to be a Superhero. We can all agree that lots of super learning took place, from learning new vocabulary, playing imaginatively in our Superhero Headquarters, making healthy super food choices and most importantly, deciding how we can be super heroes through kind actions and thoughtful deeds. Which leads us on to our topic for this term, **People Who Help Us**. We will be learning about the **Police** and their work in keeping us safe. Then we will look at **Firefighters, Doctors, Nurses and Paramedics, Dentists, Postal Workers,** and finally **School Staff**, who help us in our school. If any parents have any expertise in these jobs, we would love to hear from you!

## Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This term, we will be providing children opportunities to develop their self-confidence to initiate activities with their peers and communicate in front of others. We will also encourage children to talk about the things they are good at.

### Communication & Language

We will be reading a variety of nonfiction and fiction books about People Who Help Us, with the emphasis on recalling and listening intently. We will be adding to our weekly Word Wall with new vocabulary. We will be asking the children to follow instructions with multiple steps and supporting them to develop their own questioning and explaining skills.

#### **Physical Development**

To develop the children's gross motor skills we will be using various climbing apparatus, throwing and catching hoops and balls and playing team games such as hide and seek. For fine motor skills we will be continuing their use of markmaking tools and manipulating playdough in various shapes.

### Literacy

We will continue introducing a new sound each week using Letter land. We will be asking the children to hear initial sounds in a variety of activities and games. We will continue to practise. Letter formation using mark making tools, the whiteboard and role play.

#### Maths

We will be expanding our number skills and really focussing on counting, recognising & matching numerals & quantities within 5. We want to look at the language and concept of quantity using words like "more, less, the same".

# Understanding the World

We will be learning about a variety of jobs in our community, and we hope to have some visitors in to talk about their jobs! We will look especially at keeping safe, at home and outside. Understanding the dangers of fire. How doctors and dentists help to keep our bodies and teeth healthy, and make us well when we get ill. We will go on visits around our school to see all the different jobs school staff do.

#### **Expressive Arts**

We will be playing imaginatively in a variety role play areas, including a police station, a doctors' surgery, a post office and a dentist. We will be exploring our new water tray in Firefighters` week and our new outdoor kitchen! We will continue to explore and create with paint, collage, mark making tools, dough and small world toys.

#### Reminders for this half term

- ★ All children must have a spare set of clothes in school. If these are sent home, please replace 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
- ★ Please remember to sign up for PTC's. The online PTC's are Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February and the face to face PTC's are Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.
- ★ Golden Time Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.