

Literacy

The children will learn to:

Have fun sharing a variety of Information, rhyming and story books. Continue to enjoy the different 'mark making' activities which will include making a variety of little books, labels and 'my news' writing. We are really encouraging the children to be confident to 'have a go' at 'mark making' and say what they have written. The children are encouraged to use the precursive style of handwriting to write their name and 'write' independently. We are really pleased with how the children are taking on board the 'lead in' to form the letters. Please find the attached sheets and please do ask if you are unsure about the handwriting style. We will be glad to help.

Phonics: The children are learning the picture cards and sounds of the following letters; m a s t i n p g o c k u b f e l h r j v y w x and z. They are learning to try and form these sounds in the precursive script. Oral blending and segmenting are continually being practised along with rhyming and sound awareness activities for the younger children.

Mathematics

Recognise numbers and count out the correct number of objects by touch counting.

Count forwards and backwards to 20 and find 1 more and 1 less than a given number. Begin to practically add and subtract different objects.

Compare the weight of objects using the balance scales. Investigate 2D shapes that are found in the environment and begin to think about describing them.

Understanding of the World

The aim of this topic is to encourage the children to try and become aware of what our bodies are made of, the different parts of our bodies and what they are used for.

We will encourage the children to think about healthy options. Eating the right foods and taking regular exercise will be explored.

The children will be encouraged to look after and grow some vegetables and tend their own little garden.

Our new smartboards are a real asset to develop the children's learning as well as I pads and 'control' equipment.

Expressive Arts and Design.

We are encouraging the children to enjoy making their own models using the skills of cutting, joining materials and choosing appropriate resources for the task.

Music is being enjoyed both outside and inside and the children often form their own 'bands' and perform to a captive audience.



Park Lane Nursery School

Summer Term 2 2019

(June/July)

Early Years - Nursery



Information for parents

Mrs Hughes

Ducks: Mrs Fitzjohn, Miss Guilfoyle and Miss Sammons

Owls: Mrs Scarff, Mrs Mutimer, Miss Fitzjohn and

Mrs Bland

Mrs Field

Dear Parent/Carer,

Our topic this half term is called 'How high can I jump?' We will be finding out about our bodies and why it is good to exercise. Finding out about the different sports should be great fun too. It will also be Sports day and we are looking forward to giving the children different challenges to try. Please return your slip by Friday to say if you and your child are attending so we can organise the children into appropriate groups.

For some children it is their last few weeks in our Nursery. It goes without saying we will miss them but we hope they enjoy going to 'big school' and making new friends and having lots of fun. At the moment we are preparing the children for their transition to school and we have been really pleased with their response and it is great to see that they are indeed ready for this move.

For our Sparkly starter this term we have arranged for an ambulance to come to Nursery and a paramedic will show the children what happens if we injure ourselves. We are also having a visit from a Sports coach.

The Fabulous finish will be a Nursery tea party on Tuesday 16th July at 10.00am. We hope you can join us and if your child does not normally attend that session and would like to come please do. We would like a grown up to accompany them please.

Please continue to help your child to choose a new book to take home during our 'Busy fingers' time. Please let us know if you need more reading records. Many thanks for your help and we are so pleased the children are enjoying their books.

A very big thank you for all the lovely photos and news many of you have been adding to your child's online journal (Tapestry.) It is great to see what the children are doing at home and how they continue their learning. Please let us know if anyone is having difficulties accessing their child's journal.

Dates for your diaries:

Thursday 20th June 6-7pm Reception Induction

Thursday 27th June 10.00am-11.30am Nursery Sports

Friday 28th June Reading café for children starting school.

Thursday 4th and Friday 5th July at 9.15-10.15am Play and stay in their new Reception class with parents

Tuesday 9th July Children to visit their new Reception class

Tuesday 16th July 10.00-11.15am Fabulous finish tea party

Thank you

The Nursery Team

Personal, Social, Emotional Development

We are encouraging the children to think about how we can help each other and play in a group together. Sharing and taking turns are such important skills we remember for life and now is the time to develop these skills. Also learning that there are some things we are good at and some things we find difficult. Encouraging the children to 'have a go' and there are some things we need to work at.

Physical Development

We are encouraging all the children to enjoy being outside and having lots of fun. There are many little 'niches' in our Nursery grounds for the children to explore and find out about the different plants and animals. Our vegetables are growing very well and we are hoping for a bumper crop this year!

The children are really enjoying our new fort. As well as helping to develop their balance and co-ordination it is also promoting great imaginary role play and turn taking to go down the slide.

Please remember to send coats and a sun hat as our weather is just so changeable at the moment. Please try and apply sun cream before the Nursery session. If you child stays all day please provide a named sun cream to stay in Nursery which we can apply at lunchtime. Sometimes we can get quite dirty so please no best clothes and we are encouraging the children to put on and take off their wellingtons. Different finger gym activities will be enjoyed and this strengthens and develops the flexibility in our fingers.

Most importantly we are encouraging the children to learn to hold their 'mark making' tools correctly. We use the technique of 'nip, flip and grip' to correctly pick up and hold their mark making tools.

Learning to use scissors is also very important and every day there are activities which encourage the children to practice using their scissor skills.

Communication & Language

A variety of books will be enjoyed by the children including story, rhyme and information books. The children will be encouraged to retell 'The hare and the tortoise' story using picture cues and a variety of props. Making up a different ending to the story is also good fun! Information books about our body and different sports will also be shared and read.

