

Curriculum Newsletter Nursery

Welcome to Eatock Nursery. We hope that you have all had a happy and safe summer break. In this Autumn half term, we will be spending lots of time ensuring that your child feels happy and safe in the Nursery environment. Staff will spend lots of time getting to know your child's needs and interests over the next few weeks. Encourage your child to talk to you about their day and what they have done as this always helps them to settle well.

Communication

Here are all the ways that you can stay in touch:

- A Nursery Newsletter every half term
- A monthly head teacher's newsletter via email
- Regular texts
- Observations via Tapestry
- Regular memos and learning challenges shared on Tapestry

EYFS Team

There are number of staff that your child will be taught by each week.

On a daily basis, the Nursery staff are:

Miss Ormesher – Nursery Class Teacher
Miss Hay – Nursery Class Teaching Assistant
Mr Lackenby – Outdoor Education Teacher

Curriculum Theme

This term our theme is All About Me. We will be learning about ourselves, our families and our friends. Below are each of the areas of learning that form the Early Years' Curriculum, including the skills and knowledge that we will be teaching and supporting your child in learning within the Autumn Term.

Communication and Language

Your child will be:

Taking part in daily circle times.
Listening to and talking about stories.
Learning new vocabulary.
Learning nursery rhymes and songs.
Practising taking turns in conversation.
Learning social language that will help your child to share and play with others.
Develop confidence in speaking to their peers and staff as they play and in adult-led activities.

Physical Development

Your child will be:

Using small equipment such as scissors, mark making equipment and playdough tools.
There will be continuous access to the outdoors which will help to develop skills such as climbing, balancing and spatial awareness.
Learning how to move in different ways such as skipping, jumping, hopping...
Learning how to use equipment safely.
Learning how to stay safe in the nursery environment.

Mathematics

Your child will be:

Singing and acting out counting songs.
Using number in everyday situations.
Completing jigsaws.
Practise counting behaviours such as saying number names, pointing to objects and saying numbers in sequence.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Your child will be:

Making new friends and building relationships with staff.
Learning how to choose and play with the resources in the learning environment.
Learning how to care for and keep the environment tidy.

Using language such as more and less to compare amounts. Using language of size and shape as they play games and join in with activities.	Toileting and dressing independently. Learn and increasingly follow the rules and join in with routines. Become more outgoing and feel safe in the nursery setting.
<u>Literacy</u> Your child will be: Mark making with lots of different equipment. We will have a focus on pre-writing skills (if required). Enjoying making marks freely Sharing daily stories. Learning how to handle books. Writing their name (when ready). Beginning Phase 1 of our new phonics scheme Supersonic Phonic Friends. This focuses upon developing speaking and listening skills.	<u>Understanding the World</u> Your child will be: Using all their senses to explore the environment. Learning new words linked to the environment and families. Talking about their families and noticing differences between people. Developing positive attitudes towards the differences between people. Talking about their home, family and pets. Sharing their family collage.
<u>Expressive Arts and Design</u> Your child will be: Taking part in pretend play. Learning new songs and rhymes. Building with large and small construction. Using their imagination as they decide what to do with materials. Explore materials freely.	
<u>Snack</u>	
Snack money is £2.50 per week and must be paid via MCAS.	
<u>Reading Books</u>	
We have a wide selection of story books for you and your child to share at home. Staff will support your child in choosing a book for sharing. Share stories more than once, encouraging your child to join in by talking about the pictures and the events. This will support them in remembering what happens and retelling the story themselves. Books can be kept for as little or as long as you like, but we recommend changing it at least weekly. Books should be returned in your child's book bag.	
<u>Essential Information</u>	
Please ensure that ALL your child's clothing is labelled so that they can be returned to them if they get lost. Your child should also have a bag with spare clothing in, in case they may need a change of clothes/underwear.	

<u>Family Learning Opportunities</u>	<u>Key Vocabulary</u>
Share stories daily. Engage your child in daily back and forth conversations and expect them to listen and respond. Draw and paint together. Use scissors. Use playdough to develop hand strength. Sing nursery rhymes. Count and talk about numbers in everyday situations.	Family names, main body part words such as head, hand, hair, eyes, shoulders, neck... Family, love, community, neighbour Names of a few places in the locality- shops, library, church, Eatock school, park... Occupations of people in our community that help us- nurse, firefighter, police officer...



Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Ormesher and Miss Hay