

# **Nursery - Summer 2**

#### **PSED**

During the final half term in Nursery for some of our children,n we will be preparing them for change and talking about the new challenges that await them next year. The children will have opportunities to visit Reception and meet their new teachers. For the children staying in Nursery, we will be continuing to encourage them to develop their friendships with other children and play as part of a group. This will mean the children need to wait patiently and take turns with the toys and equipment. We will also be encouraging our younger Nursery children to make their new friends welcome, ready for when they start in September.

#### Learning through play

Hopefully, the nice weather is here to stay now and the children will have lots of opportunities to play outside. They will continue to investigate plants and animals using all the skills they learnt last half term. They will also be able to release the caterpillars that we have been looking after, once they have turned into butterflies.

The children will have the opportunity to develop their understanding of capacity, weight and length by playing in the sand and water areas. The children will develop their understanding of time by having races in preparation for sports day!

Indoors, the children will be using play to investigate a variety of different places and types of transport. They will have opportunities to make junk model cars and boats, which they will be able to race!

It is the final few weeks for some of the children in Nursery. We will be making sure it is action packed and full of fun including sports day — which we all love! We will also be meeting our new teachers this half term and getting ready to go to Reception. The children staying with us in Nursery next year will meet their new friends during our stay and play sessions.

# Here we go!

# **Physical Development**

The children will spend lots of time preparing for Sports Day this half term. We will use the field to practise our races ready for when you come and watch us.

We will be practising our cutting skills this half term, so we are able to confidently use scissors when we go to Reception. Please let us practise this with an adult at home too. It is important we learn how to use scissors safely so we don't hurt anyone with them.

We will also be thinking about healthy eating and other ways we can stay fit and healthy, such as exercising and brushing our teeth.

# Communication, Language and Literacy

We will be exploring lots of books about places and transport this half term. We will be reading Mr Gumpy's Outing, Fergus in the Park, Monkey Do, The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch and Bears at the Beach. The children will be developing their prediction skills, trying to think about what might happen at the end of the story.

We will also be encouraging the children to try and write independently, when responding to stories. They will be writing lists of things to pack to take to the seaside, labelling the different parts of a car and writing a postcard home to their family.

## **Mathematical Development**

The children have been working hard subtilizing numbers using dot pattern cards this half term. They are able to use language such as more than and less than when comparing amounts - the children will now look at separating numbers in different ways using dot pattern cards.

We will also continue to explore capacity, length and weight, alongside 2D and 3D shapes.

### **Home Learning**

This half term you can support the children in their learning by talking about different places they may go, such as the park, the shops, the zoo and the seaside. Also, try and experience different types of transport with your child. Maybe take them on a train or bus if you usually only travel by car.