

Physical Development

Children will have many opportunities to develop physically in our outdoor area. They will have the chance to develop large motor skills by using construction, the bikes and chalks on the yard on a daily basis. Children will also take part in dance activities during weekly PE sessions to develop moving in different ways, special awareness and following instructions.

Children will develop fine motor skills by sculpting and moulding playdough and clay and manipulating sand and water in our trays. Children will develop accuracy and strength to cut with scissors in order to make collage pictures and models. They will be completing weekly handwriting activities in order to develop a three-fingered pencil grip and recognisable letters.

Understanding the World

Children will develop their understanding of growth and change through learning about their bodies. We will learn about growing vegetables and the local environment. Children will use the ICT suite to learn how to create pictures relating to family and navigate around simple games. We will discuss how to print and save our work. They will also work with programmable toys and I pads. Children will have opportunities to share and discuss their experiences through class circle times and bringing in photos from home.

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will sing familiar songs and rhymes and begin to talk about beat and volume. They will listen to songs and stories using our CD player and will begin to move to music. Children will use pastel, felt tip, crayon and powder paint to make drawings, models and paintings of our homes, family and later Christmas related crafts. We provide lots of opportunities for children to develop their imaginative role play through areas such as small world and home corner.

We hope you find this information useful and that it may help you have a better understanding of what your child may tell you about their time in school.

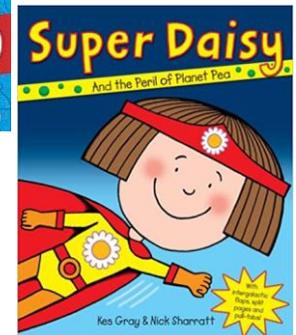
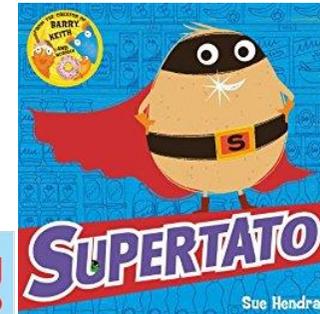
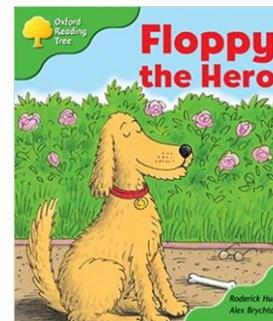
Do not hesitate to approach us if you have any queries or concerns.



Autumn term



What makes me super?



The Early Years Curriculum states:

Children develop in the context of relationships and the environment around them. This is unique to each family, and reflects individual communities and cultures.

Therefore children will begin to develop skills in three interlinking aspects of the curriculum including learning **how to be a good learner** including skills needed to:

- play and explore
- be active in learning
- be able to be creative and think critically

Once underpinned, children will move from characteristics of learning onto developing **Prime** areas of learning. These are fundamental, work together, and are move through to support development in all other areas including:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Communication and Language
- Physical Development

Specific areas will then include essential skills and knowledge for children to participate successfully in society.

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

Children will develop these areas of learning through a balance of structured adult led and free choice learning activities both indoors and out.

Mathematics

This term we will work on number recognition and counting skills through ordering numbers, finding 1 more from a group of objects, Children will be introduced to number lines and the concept of counting on and back in ones. We will recap on 2D shapes and their properties. In addition we will develop the children's knowledge and understanding of positional language.

Communication, Language & Literacy

Children will have daily literacy sessions. We will often use 'picture books' to prompt discussion and build confidence to speak clearly and in turns with a partner and later the whole class. Children will develop their listening skills during story times and play listening games.

Children will develop emerging writer skills by taking part in phonics games and activities to recap on letter sounds and names. We will be developing skills in segmenting and blending to read unknown words. They will bring home a reading book and word bag to support their learning in phonics.

Children will practise writing their names and make a selection of books about themselves and superhero's. Children will have many opportunities to write independently, including while in our role play, outdoors on whiteboards and while using the interactive whiteboard.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children will have class assemblies to discuss and learn about social and emotional rules. We will take part in parachute team games and singing sessions to perform as a group. Children will discuss achievements and concerns during circle times and will use mirrors and emotion pictures to learn about their own and others emotions. Children will be encouraged to share equipment and work together to use outdoor adventure trails and gardening equipment. We have weekly Dinosaur School sessions through which the children will be introduced to characters that focus on skills such as listening and problem solving.