



THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL
OF ST.SAVIOUR AND ST.MARY OVERIE

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This half term in Nursery...

After a busy start to the year, all of the children have settled in beautifully! They have adjusted to the routines throughout the day and are becoming more and more confident in the classroom.

This term is due to be another busy term. Our topics this term are 'People Who Help Us', which involves finding out about people in the community that help us, and 'Birthdays and Celebrations' looking at Diwali, Bonfire Night, Birthdays and Christmas.

Please remember that everyone should have a clear, named water bottle at school daily. A change of uniform, in a separate bag should be left at school. We still have a number of students that are missing this. Also please ensure that each item of uniform (including shoes and shoes) are named.

Maths



In Maths, we will continue to practise counting aloud as well as developing children's counting to ensure that they have 1-1 correspondence (the ability to count a group of objects one at a time). We will also be working on embedding the number and quantity link, ensuring that children can match the correct number to a quantity. We will begin to compare 2 sets of objects, looking at which group has more and less.



Our exploration of 2D shapes will continue, using the correct mathematical names for shapes and beginning to explore their features such as how many sides and corners they have.



Children will begin to explore units of measure, beginning with looking at the weight of objects, using balance scales.

English



Phonics: In Autumn 2, we are continuing to look at one sound from Phase 2 sounds a week. The sounds due to be covered are i, n, m, d, g. This may be changed depending on the children's needs. When working with your children at home, please ensure that sounds are being pronounced correctly. There is a great video on our class blog, showing how the sounds should be said.

Reading: Children will be continuing to recognise familiar text and signs in the environment. Books are now being sent home. There is a phonics book for the children to practise their sounds and a story book for you to enjoy together. Some of these will contain pictures without words, encouraging children to be able to make up a story using the pictures. Books will be changed **weekly**.

Writing: The main focus this term will be on continuing to support children to develop the correct grip to hold a pencil whilst forming their letter correctly. When we are writing, children will be encouraged to ascribe meaning to the marks that they make as well as try to record the initial sound that they hear. Over the half term we will be writing for different purposes such as lists and cards.

Tripod Grip



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R.E. Birthdays and Celebrations

In our R.E sessions, we will be thinking about the different kinds of celebrations, such as birthdays and Diwali and how they are celebrated.

A major focus this term will be on the Christmas story; learning what happened, who visited Baby Jesus and the different ways Christmas is celebrated.



PSED Sharing and Feelings

An ongoing focus throughout Nursery is sharing. In PSED sessions, we will be talking about why sharing is important and how we can share.

This half term we will be talking about feelings, how different feelings are shown and how they might feel. This is to develop children's confidence in talking about how they feel.



Physical Development Gross and Fine Motor Skills

We will continue to practise forming the tripod grip to develop the children's fine motor skills. Alongside this activities such as threading, playdough and peg boards will also help to strengthen hand muscles.

Children will continue to participate in activities to develop their spatial and body awareness, with a specific focus on balancing in different ways.



Communication and Language

Speaking, Listening & Understanding

A key focus this half term to developing children's understanding of vocabulary so that they can comprehend and answer questions appropriately.

We will continue developing children's confidence to speak during carpet times and circle times.



Understanding the World People who help us

Children will be looking at different people in our community that help us.

A visit from the Fire Brigade & Police, as well as a visit to the library will help develop an understanding of different occupations and what they do to help us. If you have an occupation that helps in the community and you would like to talk to the children about what you do, please let a teacher know!



Expressive Arts and Design Sounds and Decorations

Children will continue to develop their repertoire of songs that they know to include shape songs and Christmas songs.

They will be exploring the different sounds that instruments make as well as how your voice can change too.

The making of Christmas decorations will finish what will be a very busy term!

SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

We will be singing, along with the rest of EYFS and Year One, a song during the Christmas service on **Friday 9th December at 9.30 am**. Information will be sent shortly about organisation for Mon—Wed Nursery children.

The EYFS Nativity will be performed on **Wednesday 14th December at 9am (full time and Mon—Wed children perform) and 2pm (full time and Wed—Fri children perform)**. Straight after the performances, grown ups (a max of 2 per child) are invited to participate in our Stay 'n' Play sessions. A letter will be sent in due course to advise you further about arrangements.



To see what we have been up to in school, check our blog at

www.cathedralprimaryschool.com/nursery

We love it when people leave a comment for us to read in class!