

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This area of learning is our biggest focus as the children start nursery. We will spend time ensuring they feel happy, settled and confident in their new environment. We will be spending lots of time together learning each others names, and making new friends, finding out about their likes and dislikes and getting to know each child individually. We encourage the children to become independent to put on their coats, use the toilets independently, use resources within the classroom appropriately. Support them to try new experiences and most of all enjoy coming to nursery everyday.

Language and Communication

This area of learning is imbedded within everything we do at nursery. It involves encouraging children to talk to each other as they play, having the confidence to ask adults for help, talking freely to us about things they enjoy. Daily story time and songs. Phonics activities - the children will be following Letters and Sounds Phase 1 activities to support and enhance their listening and attention skills through games and activities in small groups.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children have free access each day to a variety of arts and crafts materials . They will be supported to use them correctly so that they can manage activities they choose independently.

We will be building with large and small construction materials such as wooden blocks and Lego. Our role play area is a house where children can imagine and recreate known situations and play alongside their friends.

We have daily song and music sessions.

Understanding the World

We will talk about our families and the things we like to do with our family, during small group times such as snack time and carpet sessions, to help us get to know each other.

Physical Development

The children will have daily outdoor sessions where they will have opportunities to run, balance, climb, play with balls and hoops, bikes and scooters. Once the children are settled they will begin weekly Physical literacy sessions to promote core strength and fine and develop fine and gross motor skills.

We will be supporting their fine motor skills for mark making and writing through our 'finger gym' activities and 'dough disco' sessions. There are opportunities everyday to support fine motor skills



Starting Nursery



Maths

There are opportunities everyday for mathematical learning. We count and sing number songs and rhymes everyday, and hunt for numbers around the room. The children will be introduced to Numicon which supports counting and number recognition through activities and games. Opportunities for maths are found everywhere everyday from counting as they fill up a bucket of sand, estimating how many more scoops are needed to making the correct number of play dough cakes for everyone coming to the party. The are also planned activities that the children can freely access.

Literacy

We will enjoy stories each day together and will begin introducing our 'core books' to the class. This is a selection of 10 books that the children will focus on throughout the year. The children can recreate story character roles through role play, small world and dressing up. We will retell stories and make up our own.

Welcome to Holywell Village First School Nursery. Each half term you will receive an overview of what we will be learning that half term. The first half term in nursery is all about building up relationships, and ensuring the children love coming to school. Here is an example of the activities your children will be enjoying each day.