

Helping at home.

Communication and Language Tip:

Share time with your child to talk and ask them questions, developing their language skills e.g. Tell me about your friends. What do you like to do best at Nursery?

Physical Development Tip:

Teach your child to put their own coat on and fasten it up with minimal help and wash their hands carefully.

Literacy Tip:

Help your child to draw simple figures of people who help us - with a body/head, arms, legs and encourage them to add details such as hair, eye brows, ears etc.

Mathematics Tip:

Help your child to count to 10 and above from memory.
Help your child touch count objects to 10 and above by touching them 1 to 1.
Help your child recognise basic 2D shapes - circle, square, rectangle and triangle.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development Tip:

Play turn taking and sharing games to develop your child's social skills.

Expressive Arts and Design Tip:

Using different media (chalk, crayons, pencils, felt pens) to draw pictures of rainbows and animals.
Use junk materials to create models of people who help us and animals.

Understanding the World Tip:

Talk with your child about different roles of 'People who help us, such as the Police, Dentists, Builders, Zoo keepers.
Find out together about Chinese New Year 2018 - Year of the Dog.

E-Safety Tip:

Ensure the games your child accesses and plays on computers, iPads, tablets, Xboxes, playstations and mobile phones are suitable and age-appropriate.



**Our Learning in
Nursery
Spring 1
2018**

Mathematics

- We follow Little Big Maths to teach different Mathematical skills each week.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We are going to be:-

- Learning about our Sunshine Values.
- Little Rays of Sunshine.
- Understanding what is right and wrong.
- Following our class and school rules.
- Sharing, taking turns and being kind to others.
- Making new friends.



Communication and Language

We are going to be:-

- Using our imagination.
- Listening to stories and talking about them. What happens next?
- Joining in small group discussions, sharing our thoughts and ideas.
- Talking about 'People Who Help Us', animals and Chinese New Year.



Expressive Arts and Design

We are going to be:-

- Using our imagination creatively during roleplay, e.g. Being Police officers in the Police station loft.
- Exploring and using different resources, e.g. boxes to make an ark.
- Making animal patterns like stripes and spots.
- Using a variety of resources to create pictures of rainbows.
- Exploring musical instruments and making different sounds.
- Using blocks and construction toys to create animals.
- Creating a Chinese New Year Dragon Dance.



Spring 1 — People Who help Us



Themes:
Dentist
Police
Builders
Zoo Keeper



Noah's Ark

Chinese New Year



Literacy

We are going to be:-

- Making marks on paper to represent our writing - especially our first names and to label objects.
- Drawing pictures of rainbows, people who help us and animals.
- Listening to different instruments, everyday sounds and say what we hear.
- Sharing 2 stories, every session.
- Looking at books independently - Noah's Ark.
- Joining in with songs, rhymes and poems and have some favourites.



Understanding the World

We are going to be:-

- Talking about people who help us day to day.
- Finding out about building, materials and tools.
- Using ICT to support our learning and develop our skills using computers and Ipads.
- Finding out about rain, the sun and rainbows.
- Exploring and tasting Chinese food.
- Finding out about the Chinese New Year celebrations.
- Children will learn our 'Sunshine SAFE' rules of how to keep ourselves safe online.



Physical Development

We are going to be:

PE:

- Developing our gross motor skills by following a new Sticky Kids Program, creating a Chinese Dragon Dance and begin to use some small equipment.

Fine Motor:

- Manipulating different materials, e.g. dough and sand.
- Using scissors and mark making tools - with increasing safety and control and developing fine motor skills.



Visit from the Police

We hope that Police Officers from the Blakenall Team will be in to see us and they may even bring their police car!



Congratulations Assembly

We will attend Congratulations assemblies on Fridays at 9:05am.
We will invite you to join us when we celebrate your child's achievements.