

Appletree Gardens First School Medium Term Planning Nursery Spring 2a - Owls, Birds in winter and keeping warm



In Literacy we will:

- Squiggle making marks using a variety of tools
- Reading: Daily reading of fiction and non fiction to children, engaging them actively in stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems, and then
- **Phonics**: Phase 1 Aspect 1 and 3.
- Planning: Children to choose what goes out on a selection of tables for childs voice. Daily planning and recall at snack time questioning that invites them to elaborate.

Kev Vocabulary

Nursery rhymes, good listening, good looking, good sitting, days of the week, weather.

In Personal, Social and Emotional Development we will:

Jigsaw: Goal setting. Support and manage emotions, develop a positive sense of self. Enable children to set themselves simple goals

How you feeling today: Children to use new words to describe how they feel

Learn how to look after their bodies, including healthy eating, and manage personal needs independently. Make good friendships, co-operate and resolve conflicts.

Developing friendships: Taking turns

Key Vocabulary

Marvalous, terrific, fantastic, excited, grumpy, tired, hungry

In Communication, Language and Literacy we will:

- **SGT**Follow adult cues to listen. Know behaviours for successful listening.
- **Snack Time**:Recall a range of simple nursery rhymes.
- **Review:** of the Planning to develop questioning skills. Recall their morning

Kev Vocabulary

Simple nursery rhymes. Stop, look, listen, quiet, talking, who, where, what, why, when,how. Days of the week, weather, how many girls/boys

In Mathematics we will:

- **SGT:** Two weekly group time opportunities for great depth maths. Subitizing 1-5
- **Daily counting:** Children count daily how many girls/boys in the group. More or less?
- **Singing:** Sing number rhymes to reinforce numbers 1-5
- Shape: Reintroduce shape with triangle and rectangle
- Outdoor: Maths opportunities from nature counting zone, to questions during play

Key Vocabulary

how many, more/less/fewer, 1,2,3,4,5, Triangle Rectangle

In Physical Development we will:

- **Busy fingers**: Children continue to follow a daily fine motor rotation to develop certain skills such as cutting, pencil control.
- Forest School: Supports children to develop their gross motor skills through core strength, stability, balance, spatial awareness, coordination and agility.
- P.E: Weekly P.E sessions in the hall, topic related

Key Vocabulary

Snip, cut, push/pull, carry, bend, heavy/light, step over, walk, run, jump, hop, steady, slow/fast, controlled.

In Understanding the World we will:

- Gardening Club: Children will have weekly hands on gardening sessions. Planting a variety of herbs to hopefully eat.
- Cooking Tuesdays. Children will learn how to make sweet and savoury snacks, using our owl theme as the base.
- **Forest school**: children will talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary.
- **PSHE:** Show interest in different occupations.
- Big bird watch 28th Feb, opportunities for children to observe and listen to birds
- Chinese new year: Children to learn about the year of the Tiger.
- World map to identify hot and cold countries/china

Key Vocabulary

nature, touch, smell, hear, feel, taste, experience,_cook, roll, beat, bake, weigh, tools, plant, herb, eat



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Expressive Arts and Design we will:

- Cooking: Children will be creative with their cooking to make owl snacks either savoury or sweet.
- Forest School: The children will learn how to use natural material to make owl/birds in craft sessions.
- Singing: songs about birds
- **Story telling:** with props to enhance their story experiences
- **Kandinsky**: This half term our featured artist is Kandinsky stained glass Triangle (3) as focus.

Key Vocabulary

Leaf, pine cone, manipulate, stick, create,

We will involve our families in our learning by

Open communication via seesaw

Learning journals sent home weekly for activities to do as a family.

Which books will help children secure and think more deeply about the knowledge in this block?

Hoot - number focus

Wow said the owl - colour focus

Owls Non Fiction

Silent owl

Feathers non fiction

Keeping warm non fiction

Owl babies

Seaguls

How will we enhance our continuous provision to extend learning through independent enquiry?

- Chinese tableware in role play and small world table
- provide creative prop ideas around such as robins
- play dough enhancements -nest, placemats, feathers.

The strategies to support our most vulnerable learners are

Interventions for Maths, Fine motor (scissor) control and PSED. Develop chitter chatter opportunities for quiet ones.

Which visits, visitors and experiences will we organise to help secure children's knowledge

No visits this half term

Go on a litter pick around the school to discuss how it is important to have clean areas for our wildlife.

Weekly Theme/Topics

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7
Settling in	Setting in subitizing Number 2 What are owls	subitizing Number 3	subitizing Number 4 How to keep warm What do we need?	subitizing Number 5	Owl babies 3 - triangles kandinsky	Baseline Rectangle 4 Valantines day