

Relationships, Health and Well-being

Throughout this half term, children will deepen their connections within the Nest, strengthening their ability to build meaningful relationships. They will refine their skills in seeking guidance from adults while becoming more confident in cooperative play, particularly through turn-taking activities that encourage resource sharing. As they engage in these interactions, they will practice addressing their peers by name, fostering a sense of community and belonging. A crucial aspect of this journey will be the development of emotional awareness and regulation. As they gain a stronger understanding of their own emotions, they will begin to recognise and respond to the feelings of others. This growing emotional understanding will support them how their interactions shape relationships, setting the foundation for thoughtful and empathetic connections.

Communication

To foster communication among children in the Nest, we will incorporate key vocabulary, signs, and visual aids. This method will help them confidently express their wants and needs while beginning to follow simple instructions. Communication boards will be integrated into activities and lessons, allowing children to use images and words to articulate their thoughts. Additionally, they will be encouraged to greet familiar adults and peers and engage in structured interactions, further strengthening their communication skills.

Physical Development

During Fine Motor Activities, children will refine their ability to manipulate small objects using a pincer grip, which will also be encouraged when holding a pencil. Targeted interventions will be introduced to further strengthen their fine motor skills, helping them apply these abilities in everyday tasks. In PE lessons, they will focus on Body Management and explore self-expression through music. Additionally, they will take part in daily Sensory Circuit sessions to support their overall development and engagement.

Maths

Children will participate in targeted interventions designed to enhance their mathematical understanding. Each student will receive individualised support aligned with their curriculum and learning continuum. Daily math activities will be incorporated to reinforce key skills, allowing students to build confidence and deepen their existing knowledge.

Creativity

Children will engage in the creative process of crafting musical instruments, fostering their imagination and innovative thinking. As they listen to orchestras, they will immerse themselves in the beauty of harmonious sounds while refining their ability to follow a beat, strengthening their sense of rhythm. Through hands-on exploration with various instruments, they will gain a deeper appreciation for the diversity of music, igniting a lifelong enthusiasm for musical expression.

Food and Nutrition

In the Nest, children will learn to prepare simple snacks and follow easy recipes, building confidence in basic food preparation. They will be encouraged to explore new and diverse foods while beginning to communicate their nutritional needs. Through these experiences, they will develop independence and cultivate healthy eating habits that support their well-being.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

In the Nest, children embark on a journey of self-discovery, exploring their dreams for the future and gaining insight into various job roles. As they navigate the wonders of diverse landscapes, they reflect on their own aspirations, building a deeper understanding of their potential. Through music and dance, they embrace creativity and connection, allowing them to express themselves while fostering a sense of joy in the present moment.

English

Nest children will explore a variety of books centered around the theme We Are All Unique. Through Fine Motor Activities and afternoon lessons, they will practice letter formation and receive personalised handwriting support in one-to-one sessions. Strengthening fine motor skills will remain a priority in mark-making exercises, ensuring these foundational abilities transfer into essential everyday tasks. Additionally, they will use Colourful Semantics to build simple sentences, fostering language development by helping them grasp sentence structure and meaning in an engaging and interactive way.



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