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Nursery Learning

The Senses



Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)

This week in circle time, we will talk about being a good friend and how we all belong. As part of Friendship Week, the children will enjoy fun activities that help them understand kindness, inclusion and how we are all similar and different.

Expressive Arts and Design (EAD)

This week, the children will be creating their own musical instruments using junk modelling materials. They will explore the different sounds the instruments make, talk about whether they sound the same or different, and investigate concepts such as loud and quiet through music and play.

Communication and Language (CL)

This week we will be exploring our senses, with a focus on hearing and touch. The children will enjoy listening walks around the school, play listening games, and use feely bags to explore different textures using words such as *hard, soft, smooth, silky* and *rough*. In phonics, we will be learning the sound 't', and our nursery rhyme of the week is Miss Molly Had a Dolly. At home, please encourage your child to describe objects using their senses and talk about how they look and feel.

Literacy

This week we are focusing on the story *Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Can You Hear?* The children will go on a listening walk around the school to explore different sounds and we will create our own version of the story, *'Nursery, Nursery What Can You Hear?* 'to enjoy in our book corner.

Physical Development (PD)

We will make marks using cars dipped in paint or felt tips attached to cars to paint and create a dance to perform using the instruments we have made.

Maths

As we explore our sense of touch, the children will sort natural objects in different ways using descriptive vocabulary such as *smooth, rough, silky, soft, hard* and *bumpy*. This will help develop their sorting, comparing and language skills.

Understanding the World (UW)

As part of our learning about the senses, the children will use their senses to explore natural materials through hands-on activities. We will enjoy listening to walks, sensory hunts and feely bags, helping the children to investigate, describe and make sense of the world around them.