

Animals

Nursery Summer One Term 2026



Key Areas of Learning

As communicators, the children will be learning to listen attentively, follow simple instructions, and answer “why” questions. They will develop their vocabulary, enjoy a range of songs and rhymes, and talk about stories and past events. They will be building confidence in conversations, taking turns, sharing ideas, and using longer sentences to express their thoughts, organise their play, and begin to negotiate with others.

As sociable humans, the children will be learning to talk about their feelings and begin to understand how others may feel. They will develop ways to manage conflicts, be assertive, and work with others to find solutions. They will be learning to choose activities, follow rules, and become more independent in managing their own needs. They will develop a sense of belonging, grow in confidence in new situations, and build positive relationships by playing and sharing ideas with others.

Literacy

The children will be learning to develop early sound awareness through rhymes, syllables, and initial sounds. They will enjoy sharing stories, building vocabulary, and recognising their name, supported by daily phonics.

They will also begin early writing by forming letters, writing their name, matching some sounds to letters, and giving meaning to their marks.

Mathematics

As mathematicians, the children will be learning to explore early mathematical ideas through puzzles, patterns, and simple games. They will begin to take the lead in their own learning, repeat and build on familiar activities, and use practical resources and actions to support their understanding. They will also develop their thinking by making simple patterns, working together with others, and using games and movement to help them solve problems and deepen their understanding of key concepts.

Understanding the World

We will be learning to develop positive attitudes towards similarities and differences between people, showing curiosity and respect for others. They will explore different countries and cultures, and begin to talk about what they have seen or experienced through stories, photos, and discussions. They will also learn about how important times and celebrations are marked in different religions and cultures, helping them to understand and appreciate the wider world around them.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be learning to explore and select different materials to develop and express their own ideas. They will experiment with joining materials and different textures.

They will also develop their drawing skills by creating shapes, adding detail, and using their drawings to represent objects, movement, sounds, and emotions.

Physical Development

In Physical Education, the Children will be learning to develop their movement skills, including running, climbing, balancing, skipping, and using balls and bikes. They will take part in group activities, use large muscle movements, and begin to remember simple movement patterns. They will be learning to choose the right resources for tasks, work with others, and handle larger equipment safely. The children will also develop their fine motor skills by using tools with control, holding pencils correctly, dressing independently, and using a knife and fork with confidence.

Experiences

Fruit tasting, cooking, making patterned fruit kebabs

Whole School Events and Themes

22/04/26- Nursery stay and play –Messy play
22/04/26- Reception Stay and Learn (English)
01/05/26- PTA Quiz Night starting at 5.30pm
6/5/26- Nursery stay and play – Minibeasts
20/5/26 – Nursery stay and play – Rhyme time
21/05/26- Reception Stay and Learn (Maths)