



Curriculum Overview

Nursery Spring 2 2017

This term, our topic is 'We're going on an adventure'

Personal Social and Emotional Development



Curriculum objectives

- Demonstrating friendly behaviour, initiating conversations and forming good relationships with peers/adults.
- Can select and use activities and resources with help.
- Can usually adapt behaviour to different events, social situations and changes in routine.
- Explains own knowledge and understanding/ asks appropriate questions.

Activities for learning

- Circle time discussions about different mini-beasts, dinosaurs and life cycles.
- Group/partner work on designated tasks e.g. mini-beast hunting outdoors.
- Exploration of our mini-beast investigation lab with peers.
- Sharing/turn taking with board games such as 'snakes and ladders' and 'dominoes'.

Communication and Language



Curriculum objectives

- Is able to follow directions.
- Listens to others one to one or in small groups, when conversation interests them.
- Shows understanding of prepositions e.g. under, on top etc.
- Uses vocabulary focused on objects that are of particular interest to them.

Activities for learning

- Following instructions to draw; construct and observe different mini-beasts.
- Small group discussions about different dinosaurs/mini-beasts including discussion about our favourite/least favourite.
- Activities to assess prepositional language e.g. hiding bugs/dinosaurs etc.
- Discussion about own lives and experiences.

Physical Development



Curriculum objectives

- Can copy some letters e.g. letters from their name.
- Can stand momentarily on one foot when shown.
- Can catch a large ball.
- Observes the effects of activity on their bodies.

Activities for learning

- Recognise and writing our own names using our name cards.
- Balancing games e.g. using stilts/balancing beams etc.
- Co-operative ball games outdoors e.g. tennis, catch etc.
- Daily exercises linked to our topic learning e.g. being different mini-beasts.
- Putting on our own coats and zipping them up (with very minimal adult support).



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Literacy

Curriculum objectives

- Knows information can be relayed in the form of print.
- Shows interest in illustrations and print in the environment.
- Ascribes meaning to the marks they make and see.

Activities for learning

- Writing our own names and simple names of mini-beasts e.g. bee.
- Observational drawings of different creatures.
- Looking at non-fiction books about dinosaurs/mini-beasts.
- Looking at different labels/captions.

Mathematics



Curriculum objectives

- Shows an interest in number problems.
 - Realises that not only objects, but anything can be counted, including steps, claps and jumps.
 - Uses shapes appropriately for tasks.
- ### Activities for learning
- Sorting different creatures according to appearance.
 - Counting during our daily exercises.
 - Looking for shapes everywhere and using their correct names.
 - Number rhymes to reinforce addition/subtraction.
 - Solving mini-beast problems.

Understanding the World



Curriculum objectives

- Remembers and talks about significant events in own life.
- Can talk about some of the things they have observed such as animals and natural items/objects.
- Knows that information can be retrieved from computers.

Activities for learning

- Using 'Google' to find facts/look for images of mini-beasts and dinosaurs.
- Discussion about our own gardens and what we may find in them.
- Observation of the natural features of different creatures e.g. do they fly?/how many legs? etc.

Expressive Art and Design



Curriculum objectives

- Initiates movement in response to music.
- Beginning to be interested in and describe the texture of things.
- Builds stories around toys.
- Engages in imaginative role play, based on own first-hand experiences.

Activities for learning

- Moving to our daily exercises e.g. slithering like a snake etc.
- Exploring and describing the texture of different creatures.
- Pretending to be 'mini-beast explorers' in our role-play area.

Upcoming Events

28th February - Shrove Tuesday special menu lunch

1st & 2nd March - Scholastic Book fair

2nd March - World Book Day dress up

15th March - Coffee morning Times tables

23rd March - Mother's Day assembly 9.00am and 2.30pm (tickets to be issued)

24th March - Comic Relief Non uniform day, wearing red! £1.00 donation

31st March - Class photographs, Nursery graduation and Year 6 leavers photographs

4th April - Stay and Learn 2.00pm

6th April - Easter decorate an egg competition