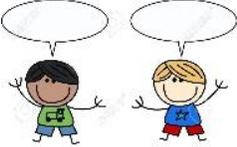


Nursery Term 3

Dear Families, Happy New Year! We hope you enjoyed the Christmas holidays.

Personal, Social, Emotional Development	Communication and Language	Physical Development
<p>This term, we will learn more about using kind hands and kind words. We will also learn more about feelings and emotions. The children will be encouraged to identify and share their own feelings. Our core value is LOVE and we will discuss stories that highlight how love is not just how we feel, but it is what we do that shows we love others.</p> 	<p>We will continue to develop listening and attention skills through a variety of activities and games. We will focus on building vocabulary linked to our topic and practising speaking in clear sentences. We will encourage the children to share their experiences at group times using our class rabbit.</p> 	<p>This term, we will be using play-dough disco. This fun movement activity helps children to build dexterity and muscle strength in their hands and fingers to enable them to write. In our large motor activities, we will be practising negotiating spaces, speed and direction. We will also be thinking about how we can stay healthy during winter.</p> 
<p>You can support your child's learning by....</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk to your child about their emotions and help them to identify how they are feeling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-modelling good sentence structure to your child and ask questions to help them build upon their sentences. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take your child to the park to use climbing equipment, so they can strengthen arm muscles needed for writing.
Literacy	Mathematics	Understanding the World and Expressive Arts
<p>We will be sharing stories focussing on emotions, recall events and how people feel, describe the characters and settings and link this with small world play and role play. We will continue to learn to write the initial letter for their name, encouraging children to use this when needing to represent their name on pictures, letters etc.. We will also be focussing on alliteration and hearing initial sounds</p>	<p>This term, we will have more focus on number skills. We will explore a range of counting activities and practise touch counting to establish good 1:1 correspondence. We will use our learning to learn challenge of being creative to find different ways to arrange sets of objects but learn that there is the same amount, unless we add or take some away.</p>	<p>We will continue to practise using our toys from Santa, learning to use the remote control cars. We now have a class toy pet which will be coming home at some point to visit your home. This will encourage children to gain more confidence speaking to others and sharing their experiences.</p>
<p>You can support your child's learning by....</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask questions about their favourite stories after reading them together to develop their understanding of the story and comprehension skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helping them to practise counting sets of items at home and when out shopping. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giving your child opportunity to use technology at home to access age appropriate learning games
<p>Loving to Learn, Learning to Love</p>		