

## Communication and Language

This term we will be focusing on expanding the children's vocabulary learning about food, our IPC topic (e.g. healthy, unhealthy). We will use open-ended questions to help enhance the children's knowledge and understanding of what they are doing and what they are learning about. We will also be looking at the structure of a story (beginning, middle and end). We will be creating our own stories using story stones and puppets. This term we will have National storytelling week and focusing on books such as Supertato and the Enormous Turnip.

## Literacy

We love to develop a reading culture in Nursery by instilling a love of books and National Book Week. We will read together every day and use topic books to discuss as well as those relating to PSED development (e.g. books on friendships). The children will be developing their writing skills through mark making in our mark making area equipped with a wide choice of mark making resources and scaffolding pictorial cues (e.g. patterns, RWI framework). We will be working around stories about food such as 'Supertato', 'Jack and the Beanstalk' or 'The Very Hungry

## Understanding the World

This term we will be focusing on encouraging the children to gain confidence in their computer skills and the use of other technology including iPads, talking tins, and our SMARTboard. We will introduce more safe internet concepts, specially during Internet Safe Day. Our role-play area, which varies according to theme and children's interests, is a popular exploration area for the children. We will be having a supermarket and an allotment in our role play area to explore our IPC topic 'Food'. The children will learn about why the body needs energy. They will also be looking at healthy and unhealthy food as well as other ways to stay healthy.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term our focus will be on forming and consolidating friendships as well as finding ways to look after our friends. We will be supporting the children to help each other in their play and solve problems independently. We will be working on how to share ideas and be kind to each other when playing. This term we will also be focussing on children's self confidence, encouraging them to talk about their likes and dislikes through our IPC topic 'Food'.

## Physical Development

This term we will be focussing on developing our gross and fine motor skills to help prepare the children to become confident writers and movers. We will have mark making opportunities on different levels (floor/table/wall), and use a wide range of playground equipment to support gross motor development. We will also develop fine motor skills in the kitchen cooking lots of biscuits and yummy recipes! We will be introducing also the Bike ability lessons to improve their balancing abilities.

## Mathematics

In Maths we will be looking at patterns in food and at creating our patterns. The children will be printing food patterns. We will also use our IPC topic 'Food' to practise our sorting skills. We will be focusing on counting to 20 this term, as well as the importance of understanding number in context (in relation to objects). We will be looking at simple addition and subtraction to 20 using Numicon and other visual methods. We will also be practising positional language in relation to shape.

## Expressive Arts

We will continue to experiment with different media and materials in our new art area. Our mark making resources will include paint, clay, chalk, felt tips, shaving foam, shaving gel, coloured pencils and crayons. We will also have a variety of materials and textures for the children to explore and make collages with. We will be using our IPC topic to explore texture and food printing. We will continue to enjoy our DaCapo music sessions. The children will continue to practise dance and moving to the beat of the music.



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## Jewish Studies and Ivrit

We will be learning many songs for our Jewish Festivals this term, including Tu B'Shvat, Purim and Pesach. In Jewish Studies we will also be learning about the Brachot we make over different foods and where food comes from. We will be learning about the story of the Jews being slaves in Egypt and how Hashem took them out of Egypt. This term in Ivrit we will be following the Chalav U'Dvash programme. We will be learning new words in Ivrit, understanding how to say 'hello,' 'how are you?' and 'you' and 'I.'