Brecknock Nursery Spring 2 Curriculum Leaflet







Our Earth - Mighty Minibeasts. Animals and Habitats

Communication and Language

Learn and use key vocabulary - multi-syllabic. Use new vocabulary in the correct contexts. Using talk in role play and small world scenarios with peers. Turn taking in conversations by listening, supported by talk guidelines. Retell familiar stories using sequencing language (first, next, last). Describe objects, animals, insects with associated vocabulary. Begin to talk about facts from non-fiction books.

Physical Development

PE with Abdi - Listen, Dance, Show

Fine motor skills: Continue to develop fingers, wrist and arm strength through threading, cutting, playdough. Washing and drying hands independently. Scissor technique. Small tools used when digging and searching for minibeasts. Form more defined straight and curved lines and circles in preparation for writing letters.



Personal, social and emotional development

Zones of Regulation. Conflict resolution strategies. Learning to share through turn taking - yours and mine. Understanding the feelings of others. Living in the Wider World - How to keep safe, celebrate similarities and differences. The importance of an active lifestyle.

Literacy

Key Texts: World Book Day - Paddington's Post by Michael Bond, Twist & Hop by Tony Mitton and Guy Parker-Reece, Minibeast Bop, Bugs (non-fiction)

Outcomes: Name writing, Paddington helicopter stories, story map, sequencing, minibeast character labelling and puppets, minibeast fact files, invitations to 'bug ball', bug ball recipes.

Phonics - Little Wandle Foundations for Phonics: Identify initial sounds of words and names of objects. Articulate sounds – including playing with voice sounds. Blend a wider range of words using oral blending.







Mathematics

Number - Meeting four and five. Count to 4&5. Count objects, subitise, place objects on a 5-frame, recognise more and fewer than 4&5. Make numbers up to 4 & 5 by adding or taking away an object. Use fingers to represent objects in a rhyme. Compare amounts using 'the same', 'more' and 'less' to 5. Make a number to 5 by adding more or taking away 1 object. Concept of zero.

Geometry - shape: Square and rectangle names. Know and find a corner on a 2D shape. Use shapes appropriately in images.

Measure - time: Beginning to sequence events using visual timetable or pictures.

Understanding the World

Days of the week. Observe the weather. Changes in the seasons and outdoor environment - animals and plants focus. Worms and minibeast hunts. Introduce the idea that there are life cycles to living things. Discuss differences between materials and notice changes e.g. ice melting. Understand that people celebrate different celebrations e.g. Easter, Holi Festival.

Expressive arts and design

Art focus: drawing and sculpture. Outcome: observational drawings of minibeasts using chalks/charcoal and clay minibeasts (rolling, cutting and joining clay). Holi festival colour paintings. Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects.

Music lessons with Tom - Aurora and the Magical Toy Box based on the music of Tchaikovsky.