

# Redhill Nursery Fortnightly Update

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### Harvest Festival

We are looking forward to celebrating our Harvest Festival on Friday 17th October. This will be a time for the children to come together in school and reflect on the importance of harvest and helping others. As part of our celebrations, we would be very grateful for donations of non-perishable food items to include in our harvest display. These will then be passed on to Telford Lions, who will make sure they go to local families and individuals in need. Thank you for your kindness and support in helping our children to see the difference their generosity can make.

### **Literacy Focus**

In Literacy, we are reading the book 'Pumpkin Soup'. During this topic, we will be exploring different feelings. We will think about how the characters are feeling then we will discuss what makes us feel different emotions. The book includes some of the characters having an argument. The children will think about how to resolve arguments and what we can say to make someone feel happy again. We will also Investigate pumpkins and learn how to make pumpkin or vegetable soup by following instructions.

### **Phonics Focus**

Nursery 1—We will be using the book 'Zim, Zam, Zoom' and listen to the rhyme in the poems. We will also be clapping out different words to create a pattern such as apple, pear, apple, pear.

Nursery 2—Over the next two weeks, we will focus on hearing and saying the letter sounds 'a' and 't'. We will play listening games and sort objects into the correct letter sounds. We will find objects in the environment that begin with these sounds and we will have a go at making these letter sounds in the sand.

### **Maths Focus**

Our focus in maths will be on number. We will begin to explore the numbers 1, 2 and 4. We will begin to recognise quantities up to 4 by sight and we will represent the numbers in different ways such as on our fingers, using objects, comparing quantities of 1,2 and 4.

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# Help your child with readino

Play 'I Spy' games. Can you find words beginning with...? Can you find a picture of a ...? How many ... can you see?

# **Ask Questions**

Ask questions about the story as you read it e.g. What is the story about? Why do you think they made that choice? Was it a good choice? Why did that happen? What do you think will happen next? What was your favourite part of the story? Why?

### Make it Fun Be Seen

Enjoy reading together. Give characters funny voices and engage with the pictures. Make a game out of finding words that rhyme or start with the same sound.

Make sure you are seen reading. Keep books magazines at easy reach.

### Get Out

Go to your public library regularly. Find the books you loved as a kid to read together.

### Create

Use reading to inspire drawings stories.

# Go Online

Look online & in app stores for appropriate word & spelling games.

# **Make Space**

Have a special place or a certain time when you read together.

# Read everything out loud.

Books, poems, nursery rhymes, newspaper & magazine articles, food labels... anything that is close to hand!

## Wear it Blue Mufti Day

On Thursday 16th October, your child can come dressed in something blue. This is a Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin initiative to raise awareness for Youth Awareness Day. Children are encouraged to wear something blue and donate £1, or more if you wish, to the charity via ParentPay.



### **Reminders**

PE – Monday am and Thursday am. Please ensure your child is dressed in PE kit.

Welly Walk – Wednesday mornings – Please ensure your child comes dressed for Welly Walk in the appropriate clothing: waterproof suit and wellies.

**Show and Tell** – Please check your child's reading record for their day to bring show and tell.

**Labels**—Please ensure all your child's clothes are labelled with their names.

### **Tapestry**

Tapestry is an online platform that we use to share observations of your child and what we are learning in class.

If you haven't done so already, please ensure you have activated your account so that you can view these observations on your child's learning journey.

This is not used as a diary of what your child does daily. It is used to give you a snapshot of what your child is learning in Nursery.

Parents and carers of children who are due to start primary school, next September can now apply for their school place.

Children born between September 2021 and August 2022 will be due to start primary school in September next year (2026).

To ensure those children are allocated a school place, parents and carers must have applied to Telford & Wrekin Council by 15 January 2026.

More information on applying for a school place is available at https://www.telford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/

Thank you for your continued support.

