Spring Curriculum Overview – Reception

Literacy (including Little Wandle)

Understanding the World

- Phase 3 phoneme grapheme correlation
- Blend cvc words with known graphemes
- To say a sound for all letters in the alphabet
- To read aloud simple sentences in line with phonics knowledge
- Retelling familiar stories
- Predict events that link to the main theme
- To use recently introduced vocabulary in context
- To write simple captions with finger spaces and beginning to use capital letters and full stops
- To have a go and writing unfamiliar words using phonetically plausible attempts

To support your child with this aspect of their learning you could:

- Continue to enjoy reading at home daily
- Continue to read a range of texts with your child
- Ask your children to retell stories they are familiar with
- Encourage your child to write in a range of contexts (cards, shopping lists etc) applying their phonics knowledge

Maths

• Order objects by size

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- To explore and use the language of capacity
- To explore and use the language of weight
- To explore, describe and sort 3D shapes
- To use mathematical language to describe position
- To count, order and explore one more than and one less than with numbers to 10
- To apply knowledge of numbers to 10 to solve problems
- Use vocabulary to describe ordinal numbers to 10 (1st 10th)
- Exploring units of time including seasons, days of the week and daily events.

To help your child with this aspect of learning you could:

- Provide a range of objects and practice ordering them by size
- Place objects in different places and ask your child to describe where they are
- Write numbers up to 10 on paper for children to use and explore

• Creating simple programs

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- Using technology to record their work and ideas
- Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences

Communication & Language

- Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions and comments
- Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding
- Hold conversations when engaged in back and forth
 exchanges
- Participate in small groups, class and one to one discussions, offering own ideas
- Offer explanations of why things might happen
- Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences including past, present and future tenses.

Personal, Social, Emotional Development

- Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others and begin to regulate their behaviour accordingly
- Able to focus attention when an adult is talking and responds appropriately
- Follows instructions involving several ideas
- Can explain why he have rules and explain right from wrong
- Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs including dressing and going to the toilet
- Understand healthy food choices

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- To work and play cooperatively and take turns with others
- Form positive attachments with adults and friendships with peers
- Being confident to try new activities
- Know which adults look after them and who to talk to if they feel worried or scared

Physical Development

- Negotiate space and obstacles safely
- Demonstrate strength, balance and co-ordination in taught lessons and when playing
- Demonstrate running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing
- Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing using the tripod grip in most cases
- Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paint brushes and cutlery
- Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing

Expressive Arts & Design

- Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and song
- Perform songs, rhymes and poems and stories with others and when appropriate try to move in time with music
- Listen to a variety of music
- Use pictures, interests and experiences to inspire their creations