Year: Nursery Class: Meerkat

Me and My Community



This project supports children with settling into the new rules and routines of school and encourages them to make new friends and feel confident in their class. It teaches children about being helpful, kind and thoughtful at home and at school. This project also teaches children how they are unique and special, the importance of friendship and how people in their family, school and local community are important and can help them.

Exploring Autumn (Mini project)



This project teaches children about the natural changes that happen during the season of autumn, including how the weather changes, why trees lose their leaves and how wild animals prepare for winter.

• Communication and Language

- Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions.
- Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding.
- Participate in small group, class and one-toone discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary
- Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher

Personal Social Emotional Development

- Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions
- Work and play cooperatively and take turns with others
- Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly.
- Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers.

Physical Development

- Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing using the tripod grip in almost all cases.
- Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.



Literacy

- Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary
- Children will be take home a 'Pleasure book' which they have chosen for you to read to them at home.

Maths

- Children are introduced to the concept of matching and being able to identify if the items are the same or different.
- Being able to talk about measure and patterns, such as sizes, mass, capacity and exploring, copying and continuing and creating their own simple patterns.

Understanding the World

People and Communities

• Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.

The World

- Discuss simple changes as they have grown from being a baby.
- Know ways to care for their local environment.
- Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.

Expressive arts and Design

• Listen to a variety of music and sound

Being Imaginative and Expressive

• Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music.

Creating with Materials

- Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.
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