

Spring Term A - Nursery 2020

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Opportunities and activities:

- Explore friendship and kindness through The Selfish Crocodile. Why did no one want to be his friend? Was he kind to the other animals? What did the animals think about him?
- Handas Surprise—think about giving a gift to someone to make them feel better. What would you give them?

Literacy

Opportunities and activities:

- Mark making indoors and outdoors using different objects and tools
- Continue letters and sounds phase 1 phonics activities.
- Focus on our core books, reading them, retelling, playing with small world toys relating to them. Particular focus on The Selfish Crocodile and Handas Surprise.
- Sequencing the story of Handas Surprise.
- Activities to support name recognition and encourage children to attempt to write their own names.

Communication and Language

Opportunities and activities:

- Continue Letters and Sounds phase 1 phonics - particular focus on listening and attention.
- Use story language increasingly in role play and when using small world sets. Helicopter
- Stories will be introduced to the children to support story telling and use of story language.
- Using language to describe and talk about new experiences.

Physical Development

Opportunities and activities:

- Healthy eating—trying new fruits and cooking.
- Finding out how to look after our teeth—through books and activities.
- Continue our weekly PE sessions with Futsal Weekly dough disco sessions



The Selfish Crocodile & Handas Surprise



Understanding the World

Opportunities and activities

- Find out about Africa using our core book stories. Does it look the same as Holywell? Notice differences, and find out about them. Walk around our village and compare to Handas village.
- Weather in Africa compared to England.
- Find out about and celebrate Chinese New Year.

Expressive Arts and Design

Opportunities and activities:

- Using loose parts to create pictures and make models.
- Colour mixing—use warm and cold colours as a stimulus. African landscape colours compared to cold, frosty colours of winter in England.
- Animal patterns and paintings.

Mathematics

Opportunities and activities:

- Use number blocks to focus on one number at a time. Activities to help children gain a good sense of number.
- Sorting animals—making comparisons. Finding own categories for sorting.
- Patterns—making jewellery and recreating animal patterns.
- Counting, number recognition and number ordering games and activities.

This half term our core books will be The Selfish Crocodile and Handa's Surprise. We will use these books to also explore other countries and cultures, particularly Africa as this is where both stories are set. We will explore how it is different to where we live; foods, homes, animals, weather. We will also be celebrating and learning about Chinese New Year during the week of 27th January.

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