Nursery JAN/FEB 2024

Medium Term Planning

Topics: Traditional Tales

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Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Communication and Language	Physical Development		
Listen to simple stories and understand what is happening, with the help of the pictures. Use a wider range of vocabulary. Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?" Sing a large repertoire of songs. Start to say how they are feeling, using words as well as actions. Start to develop conversation, often jumping from topic to topic. Start to topic. Understand a question or instruction that has two parts, such as "Get your coat and wait at the door". Safely explore emotions beyond their normal range through play and stories. Are talking about their feelings in more elaborated ways: "I'm sad because" or "I love it when". Learn to use the toilet with help, and then independently. Increasingly follow rules, understanding why they are important. Remember rules without needing an adult to remind them. Develop their sense of responsibility and membership of a community. Become more outgoing with unfamiliar people, in the safe context of their setting. Show more confidence in new social situations.		Increasingly able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm. Match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities in the setting. For example, they decide whether to crawl, walk or run across a plank, depending on its length and width. Use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors. Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils. Show a preference for a dominant hand. Further develop and refine a range of ball skills including: throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming. Develop confidence, competence, precision and accuracy when engaging in activities that involve a ball. Activities Cut out traditional tale images		
Sing Songs Talk about good and bad characters from the stories Talk about what kind of home they live in. As a group share ideas and make a house Join in with dancing and games Take part in celebrations	Activities Listen to staff & respond to instructions Follow directions. Answer simple questions. Talk about celebrations and how they made them feel. Join in on Celebration days with confidence Retell parts of the story with support Talk about what kind of home they live in	Obstacle course for Billy Goats Gruff Collage images of the traditional tales covered Wiggle and squiggle Fiddly Finger Activities Busy Board Lock and door Build a castle tower Make a house out sugar cubes Goldilocks Tracing Board Vocabulary Axe traditional harp setting Character palace wicked peek Plan forest enchanted fix adventure		

Literacy	Mathematics	Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Design
Understand the five key concepts about	Recite numbers past 5.	Use all their senses in hands-on	Explore different materials, using all their senses to investigate them.
print:	Say one number for each item in order:	exploration of natural materials.	Manipulate and play with different materials.
-print has meaning - the names of the	1,2,3,4,5.	Explore collections of materials with	Use their imagination as they consider what they can do with different
different parts of a book	Know that the last number reached when	similar and/or different properties.	materials.
-print can have different purposes - page	counting a small set of objects tells you how	Talk about what they see, using a wide	Make simple models which express their ideas.
sequencing	many there are in total ('cardinal principle').	vocabulary.	Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to
-we read English text from left to right and	Talk about and explore 2D and 3D shapes	Begin to make sense of their own life-	represent objects.
from top to bottom	(for example, circles, rectangles, triangles	story and family's history.	Draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face with a
Write some or all of their name.	and cuboids) using informal and	Talk about the differences between	circle and including details.
Write some letters accurately.	mathematical language: 'sides', 'corners';	materials and changes they notice.	Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises.
	'straight', 'flat', 'round'.		Join in with songs and rhymes, making some sounds.
Activities:	Understand position through words alone -	Activities:	Make rhythmical and repetitive sounds.
Join in with repeated refrains	for example, "The bag is under the table," -	Explore natural material (Sticks,	
Join in with rhyming songs	with no pointing.	straw and bricks)	Activities:

Topic Links

To retell parts of 'The Three Little Pigs'	Extend and create ABAB patterns – stick,	Talk about texture of things	To act out and retell the story of Traditional tales
Create wanted poster	leaf,stick,leaf.	(Porridge, material)	Decorating Gingerbread men biscuits
Write some letters of their name.		Talk about celebrations they have	Paint pictures of the bears
	Activities:	attended	Wiggle and squiggle
	Positional Language Gingerbread Man and		Make houses using -straw, sticks and bricks
	boat		Join in with songs and Rhymes
	Count		Taste and describe texture
	Identify and sort 2D shapes		
	To count actions and stop at a specific		
	number		
	Pattern (ABAB)		
	Order 3 things by size		