

Nursery- Autumn Term 2026

Parent Curriculum Overview

Nursery Rhymes & Winter Wonders

How do songs, stories & seasons help us explore?



Literacy

- Sing familiar nursery rhymes
- Explore mark making tools & materials
- Give meaning to marks and pictures
- Retell stories
- Develop listening and speaking
- Communicate with pictures and symbols
- Use writing in role play

We are reading & retelling...

Old Mac Donald Had a Farm
The Three Little Pigs
Three Billy Goats Gruff
The Little Red Hen
The Ugly Duckling

Maths

We will be looking at:

- Counting objects reliably up to 5 and reciting numbers to 10
- Recognising numbers 0-5 and matching them to quantities
- Exploring one more, one less than
- Recognising and naming 2D shapes
- Copying patterns and sorting and matching objects
- Using money and measuring through role play, cooking and play

Expressive Arts

We will be focusing on:

- Remembering and singing well-known nursery rhymes and songs
- Perform songs and rhymes using props and instruments
- Explore a range of media and creative techniques
- Create seasonal artwork, cards and decorations
- Learn and perform Christmas songs for an audience

Cymraeg

We will use Welsh every day through:

- Greetings and simple questions
- Manners – “diolch” and “ga i...?”
- Counting to 10
- Welsh songs

Humanities

- Explore farm animals and where animals live
- Learn about road safety through play
- Explore festive traditions and celebrations
- Learn about Diwali and Christmas
- Explore belonging, similarities and differences



Science & Technology

Children will explore seasonal change by planting bulbs, freezing and thawing and preparing the growing area for spring. They will also bake in our children's kitchen.

Children will make salt dough stars and reindeer food for Christmas.

Digital Skills

- Take photographs to capture learning
- Sort familiar objects using simple criteria
- explore simple digital and unplugged devices
- Use sound buttons to record stories and songs
- Gather simple data using objects and pictures
- Handle digital devices carefully
- Work with a partner on digital activities

Health & Wellbeing

Children will build independence and healthy routines through daily outdoor play, bikes, trikes, scooters, welly walks and movement activities. They will learn about hand washing and healthy snacks.

Through our wellbeing and relationships work, children will:

- Settle into Nursery and learn routines
- Recognise and talk about feelings
- Make friends, share and ask for help
- Respect similarities and differences
- Build confidence and independence

Our Inquiry

NURSERY RHYMES & WINTER WONDERS

This term, children will settle into Nursery and explore the world through nursery rhymes, stories, seasonal experiences and play. They will learn and perform familiar rhymes and retell Talk for Writing stories including "That's Not My Car", "That's Not My Snowman" and "That's Not My Elf".

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS TERM

Jump In Day – Monday ^{21st} September. Children can dress up a farm animal or a Farmer.

Jump Out Day – Friday 23rd October (Information to be shared at a later date)

Christmas concert – Date to be confirmed.