

## Nursery Topic Web

### What Makes Me Amazing! Autumn 1, 2025



Our value this term is: **Generosity**

#### **Personal, Social and Emotional development:**

The children will begin to understand routines, rules and boundaries. They will become familiar with regular adults and other children. They will begin to understand and react to their emotions and settle into our new classrooms.

They will have opportunities to:

- Separate from their parents and carers, forming relationships with all teachers
- Begin to explore the environment with a familiar adult
- Make new friends and learn to share
- Manage their behaviour to suit new environment
- Understanding school rules- Ready, Respectful, Safe
- Begin to understand our own feelings and those of others using the text: The Colour Monster by Anna Llenas.

#### **Physical development:**

Children will begin to develop their gross motor skills, gaining control of their limbs and movement around the nursery. They will start to collaborate with others through participation in activities and ring games

They will do this through:

- Exploring the nursery garden
- Climbing steps and jumping safely
- Mark making using a variety of media
- Riding bikes and running safely
- Developing gross motor skills through Squiggle While You Wiggle
- Developing fine motor skills through a range of activities such as threading and finger rhymes
- Learn how to stay healthy- washing our hands/cleaning teeth.

#### **Communication and Language:**

Children will begin to listen to stories and begin to remember what's happened. They will begin to pay attention to more than one thing at a time.

This will be done through:

- Getting to know each other, talk about things that are important to the children
- Sharing a range of stories such as The Colour Monster by Anna Llenas and Owl Babies by Martin Waddel
- Talking about our families, sharing the children's 'My Story' books
- Beginning to understand and use 'why' questions.



#### **Key dates:**

**Stay & Play- Week 7, Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd October**

One parent is invited to join their child in nursery to see what they do and have fun. A sign-up sheet will go up two weeks in advance. Slots are 10.45-11.25 and 13.45-14.25 both days. Please select ONE day. Younger siblings welcome.

**Colour Monster Day-Thursday 23rd October**

Children come dressed in their favourite colour.

**Last day of term- Thursday 23rd October**

**Inset Day- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October closed**



### Literacy:

Reading consists of two dimensions: language comprehension and word reading. Language comprehension (necessary for both reading and writing) starts from birth. It only develops when adults talk with children about the world around them and the books (stories and non-fiction) they read with them.

We will support this by:

- Sharing stories as a class
- Sharing rhymes and songs as a beginning to Little Wandle Phonics
- Playing with puppets to develop language and support storytelling
- Ascribing meaning to all of the marks we make
- Looking at books independently, in small groups and as a whole class
- Introducing library sessions.

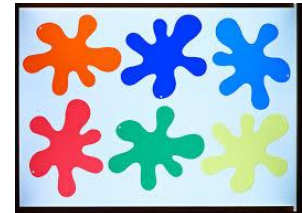


### Numeracy:

The children will begin to develop a strong grounding in pattern and shape which is essential so that all children develop the necessary building blocks to excel mathematically.

They will have opportunities to do this through:

- Using fine motor skills to complete puzzles with adults and independently
- Using a variety of colour and 2D shapes to create pictures and patterns
- Go on colour hunts
- Learning to sort objects and give reasons for how they have sorted
- Compare objects by size, weight and capacity.



### Understanding the World:

Understanding the world involves guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community.

This will be done by encouraging them to:

- Explore the environment around them. They will be encouraged to plant and grow a range of things including things to eat.
- Talk about their home and communities and how they differ from others in their class.
- Engage with the different technology in the nursery e.g. iPads, IWB, cameras, sound buttons and cards.



### Expressive Arts and Design:

It is important that children have regular opportunities to engage with the arts, enabling them to explore and play with a wide range of media and materials.

We will provide opportunities for children to:

- Explore different types of media and the marks they make
- Learn about colours and what happens when they mix
- Create collages using different textures
- Act out familiar scenarios from real life and stories, while in the role play area or using small world resources
- Create sounds using a range of instruments and their own voices.

