

Communication and language

Children will continue to talk about what they see, hear and feel. We will talk about our experiences and discuss the stories which we have read. Staff will encourage the children to develop listening skills through a range of opportunities such as games and circle time in family groups. The children will be expected to use more complex sentences and questions, they will also be building on their vocabulary and making their needs clearly known.

Physical Development

We continue to have a weekly visit from Mrs Sanderson, who provides the children with a short physical development session. The session encourages movement to a simple story, focusing on the basic gross movements such as stretching, marching, skipping, jumping and more complex movements such as cross-over marching and slithering. Good gross motor control has a positive impact on writing and fine motor skills. Children also practice holding a pencil correctly and develop the skills of using scissors.

Personal, social and emotional development

The children will be encouraged to continue to share and take turns, they will be asked to talk about how they think the characters are feeling in the books that we read.

We will be preparing the children for Reception through lots of group discussions, stories and transition days.

Literacy

We will continue to encourage the children to recognise and have a go at writing their own name. We will be starting the 'Talk 4 Writing' approach which will encourage the children to learn a short story off by heart through actions. We will be reading lots of fiction books and poems about minibests and transport. We will also look at non-fiction books to find out about different countries around the World, life cycles, oceans and pollution.



The Federation of Abbey Infant & Junior School Curriculum Map for Year Nursery 2025-26 - Summer term



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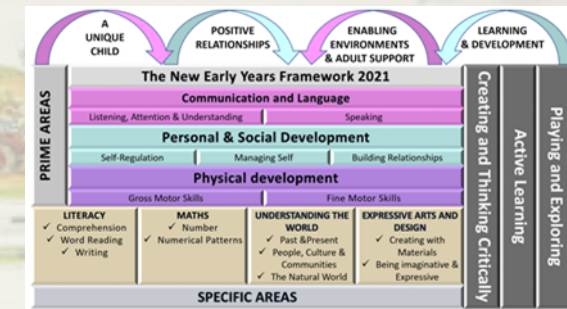
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Our topics are Minibeasts and Zoom!

During this Term the children will be finding out about the World around them. They will identify and describe minibests and understand the importance of caring for living things, including keeping our local environment clean from litter and the impact that pollution has on the World.

We will also learn about different modes of transport from around the World. Looking at old and modern transport, including space rockets. We will learn about historical figures such as Neil Armstrong and find out what Astronauts actually do.

During the Summer Term we will also be discussing moving up to Reception. Your child will take part in a transition day to meet their new Reception teacher.



Phonics & early reading

We will build on the children's listening skills through listening and memory games to promote concentration. Children will begin to learn phonics - the sounds that the letters make and the alphabet name. Children will continue to build on their understanding of rhythm and rhyme through stories, nursery rhymes and activities. Children who show they are ready will begin to sound out and read simple VC and CVC words. Please enjoy the rhyme of the week and weekly library book with your child at home.

Mathematics

We will continue to recognise 2D shapes, colours and numbers. We will provide daily opportunities for number recognition, counting and number rhymes. Children will be measuring, comparing length, weight and height and capacity. The children will be encouraged to start recording numbers and will practise number formation. We will be practising numbers 0-10 and showing different ways to represent numbers to 5.

Understanding the world

Children will develop their ICT skills through appropriate activities using the computer and iPads. We will be encouraging the children to be observant, ask questions, explore their surroundings and take care of living things. They are also building on taking care of the local environment, we teach the children about the impact of pollution and littering both in the immediate environment, the oceans and across the world.

Expressive arts and design

Children will continue to build a repertoire of songs and dances through opportunities for music and dance. The children will explore colour mixing in the creative area. We will introduce observational drawings to the children, teaching them how to look closely at the detail and drawing what they can see. The children will be encouraged to develop their imagination through role play and explore musical instruments, learning how sounds can be changed.

Characteristics of effective learning

Children are encouraged to review their own progress and learning. Teachers talk in depth with children about what they are doing, what went well and what they would change next time. This gives children the opportunity to self-assess and think critically. All children are encouraged to have their own ideas, find ways to solve problems and not give up when faced with a challenge.

Life skills, soft skills and bucket list experiences

Children will explore cooking techniques and apparatus through cooking activities.

Children will practise their leadership skills by taking the lead role in their play and taking charge of their learning.

Children will show an awareness of being a good team player, opportunities are provided through circle time, class games, group work and CIL.

We will watch caterpillars grow and change into butterflies, have a minibest dressing up day and we will visit the library. All amazing opportunities to tick off their bucket list!