

# **Roseberry Nursery**

**INTRODUCTION:** At Roseberry Primary School Nursery, we strongly believe in enthusing our children with a love of learning. Learning which is both meaningful and relevant. Our curriculum is designed to inspire and allow our children to grow and develop into well rounded individuals. We have a holistic approach where pupils can access a knowledge rich, vocabulary focused curriculum which builds skills and reinforces learning. We educate our children in a safe, calm and purposeful environment. Our aim is to nurture well-rounded, respectful and resilient children who will develop skills for life-long learning. We have very high expectations for all our children and we are an inclusive school. We expect our children to be respectful of themselves and of others in our school, the local community and the wider world.

**Communication and Language:** Your child will be part of a language-rich environment where they will have constant opportunities to engage in quality interactions and conversations. The children will enjoy learning to listen to their friends and develop an interest in what others have to say. Whilst having fun in role play areas linked to our topics, children will be developing a wide range of vocabulary and the ability to interact confidently with others. The children will also learn and engage in a range of songs and rhymes which will help to develop their language skills.

**Physical Development:** At Roseberry Nursery your child will engage in a range of activities linked into physical development. Activities such as creative playdough, cutting and threading will all be readily available on a daily basis to support the development of fine motor skills. Through regular use of the outdoor area, the children will practise balancing, climbing and spatial awareness. The children will enjoy riding different vehicles and playing with a range of equipment to strengthen their gross motor skills.

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development:** Personal, Social and Emotional development is the core of everything your child will do at Roseberry nursery. It is essential that our children develop a positive sense of themselves and respect for all others. The children will learn how to talk about and express their emotions in a positive way and they will be learning the importance of self-regulation. Key skills such as learning how to share and understanding how to be a kind friend will be the prime focus. We will spend time modelling positive relationships and how to work out situations during play. Regularly changing role play areas with our nursery offer the perfect place to develop such skills as well as busy times during outdoor learning.

**Literacy:** Developing a love of stories, poems and rhymes is a key feature of our nursery. As well as having access to a range of books within the setting, each week the children will focus on different book linked to their topic. The children will have the opportunity to act out the stories, talk about the characters and retell events in the story. Each week the children will also be able to choose a reading for pleasure book. A book to share at home that will help to develop and extend their increasing vocabulary as well as their love of reading. Each day the children will sing songs and nursery rhymes and the children will be playing games to help them develop their internal rhythm and early phonological awareness. There will be many opportunities to develop early writing and encourage early mark making. The children will be encouraged to writing shopping lists and letters to their friends in the different role play areas. They will also be encouraged to copy write their name on entry to the setting using their name cards.

**Mathematics:** In nursery the children will develop an understanding of number through interactive games and real-life opportunities. The children will sing a range of action rhymes to help them count in sequence and say the number names confidently. Counting groups of objects and being able to

select a specific number of items will be part of our everyday learning. The children will be exploring a range of puzzles, blocks and shapes, giving them the opportunity to talk about different shapes, their properties, in the process developing their mathematical language.

**Expressive Arts and Design:** In nursery, the children will engage in daily imaginative play. This will be facilitated by incorporating our books and stories into our small world equipment including dolls' houses, and animal sets. Our children are always enthusiastic about the chance to play musical instruments and explore a range of sounds as well as movement. We look forward to the wonderful creations the children will be making using a range of materials of their choice as they go about their daily activities.

**Understanding of the World:** Children will gain an insight into the wider world through our half termly topics. Our children will explore living things, natural environments and different countries. The children will learn that people around the world have different beliefs and celebrations just as we explore our own communities and festivals that are unique to Roseberry. They will begin to understand that they are part of our school community, the locality and the wider world.

**Goals we strive for:**

To build up strong and meaningful relationship with our parents/carers

To enjoy a story, turning pages and talking about the pictures.

To put on a coat and get changed for PE

To develop speaking and listening skills to allow children to maintain attention during story time and activities.

To develop speech and language skills and be able to speak in a clear confident voice.

To learn how to play together and interact harmoniously, sharing and turn taking.

To build up an awareness of sounds around us, with the ability to distinguish between sounds that we hear.

To develop an awareness of rhyme. Being able to sing a range of nursery rhymes and make a rhyming pair.

To hear initial sounds in familiar and simple words including their name.

To hear and say orally blended words e.g. c- a-t, d-o-g.

To gain an understanding of numbers up to 5. Counting sets of objects saying one number name for each item and begin to recognise numbers saying their name.

To develop our children's love of school knowing that it is a safe and secure place where they can express themselves in a meaningful and purposeful way.

**Ways you can help**

Share a book each day with your child to help develop a lifelong love of reading and enjoyment in stories.

Offer them opportunities to tell you the story using the pictures.

Always talk to your child about their time at nursery each day. Encourage your child to talk whenever possible, using correct pronunciation.

Talk to your child as you walk to school, round the shops and other places you visit or go to.

Wherever possible spend time together away from electronic devices and communicate with your child. Always giving positive praise and hugs when your child does something good.

Find opportunities to count, helping your child to say number names in order and count objects one at a time. Play games to develop awareness of sounds e.g. I spy. Encourage your child to dress themselves and use the toilet independently.

Provide your child with opportunities to make marks on paper and begin early writing using a range of tools e.g. pencils, paint brushes. It is very important to allow your child to experience the use of scissors and play dough to develop their motor skills.

**Essential Information:**

Please put your child's name in all items of clothing.

The children have a snack together each day. If you would like to make a voluntary contribution, please bring a contribution of £1 to school on a Monday.

Please do not send toys to school.