

# Nursery

## Pets and vets!

I would like to welcome back Oaks and Acorns children.

This half term we will be learning all about animals and the people who help them.



### Personal, Social and Emotional

Whilst playing games, children will take turns and wait patiently.

Children will practise independence, such as, zipping up their coats and finding their own water bottle.

### Communication and language

Children will talk about their favourite pets and why, creating a pictogram and discussing their findings.

By sitting for an extended period of time during family group times, children will develop their concentration skills.

After going for a spring walk, on our school field. Children will talk about our surroundings.

### Physical development

With activities such as cutting, threading and playdough, children will continue using the fine motor station.

By exploring and representing animal movements, children will develop their gross motor skills.

Children will mark make on a large scale.

### English

Children will celebrate World Book Day. They will dress up as their favourite book character and share their favourite stories.

Daily story time will include books such as 'Dear Zoo' by Rod Campbell, 'What the Ladybird Heard' by Julia Donaldson and 'Zoo Vet' a Twinkl original eBook.

Continue with Little Wandle phonics, exploring initial sounds and oral blending.

Children will explore early writing by practising writing their own names, daily as a morning task.

### Maths

Through a variety of maths games, children will be introduced to and practise subitising.

Children will use animal toys for counting, sorting and categorising in different ways.

They will practise their recognition of numbers 0 to 10;

Practise positional language to play, 'where is the animal?'

Compare height and mass when discussing animals, using the language 'big', 'middle-sized' and 'little'.

### Understanding the World

Children will find out about the role of vets and decide on some questions to ask a local vet.

They will discuss the Easter story and explore how people celebrate around the world.

Children will carry out their own experiments during Science Week.

### Expressive Arts and Design

Children will play in the 'vets' role play area.

They will explore the farmyard small world play.

Children will participate in Easter crafts and make Mother's Day cards.

### Reminders:

Please ensure **all** belongings and uniform are clearly labelled.

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Please provide a spare set of clothes to be kept in your child's bag (including pants and socks/tights).

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Please ensure any toys that accidentally go home with the children are returned to Nursery.