

ALVERTON NURSERY

Spring Term 2022

Last term was very busy and exciting with the season changing. We focused on environmental changes, growth and development making learning fun and relevant by mixing practical experiences and observations. We explored plant and animal life by growing our own plants and learning how to take care of them. The children continued to develop their phonic skills through story rhyme and song. The children had lots of fun exploring the natural world with activities that focused on developing their mark-making and mathematical skills.



MEET OUR TEAM



Mrs Stockdale



Miss Lycett



Miss Hobson



Miss Melville

- We use the SeeSaw app to keep in contact with parents and share the children's daily activities.
- We are a Makaton friendly School

Summer Term 2022

Our theme this term is "Amazing Animals" and we will be learning about creatures great and small, this is always a real favourite with staff and children alike. We will be exploring our pets too so be prepared for little people asking for pictures of any pets you have at home! As always there will be singing, counting, writing, drawing, exploring, discussing, building, making...the list goes on and on! Our aim is to have happy and confident little learners who enjoy their time in school and make great early relationships with adults and peers alike.

Let's get started!



Communication and language underpins all areas of our children's learning and development. We love sharing stories with our children and also introduce them to a wide range of texts such as non-fiction and poems. Through a mixture of modelling, play, songs and conversations our children have the opportunity to develop their communication and language skills, allowing them to thrive.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development is important for children to lead happy and healthy lives. At Alverton we develop our children's sense of responsibility and community through every day interactions such as carpet and snack time as well as through play. Our children learn to turn take, express and regulate their emotions all within a school setting, preparing them for their academic journey.

Physical Development- we love to move at Alverton! With our weekly P.E sessions (**Monday PM and Thursday AM**) we build our children's confidence with full body movements such as; balancing, riding bikes, using sports equipment, as well as encouraging children to participate in group activities that promote a happy and healthy lifestyle.

Fine motor skills are also developed in our Nursery which helps hand-eye co-ordination which helps build children's early literacy skills. Our children have the opportunity to explore and play with small world activities, puzzles, arts and crafts and fine motor tools with constant guidance and feedback from adults to help their learning journey.

Literacy- We aim to instil a love of reading from an early age here at Alverton. By talking with our children about the world around them and the books (stories and non-fiction) we read together allows them to develop their phonological awareness as well as understanding of text.

Maths- children at Alverton are immersed mathematically from the get go. We practice our counting and number recognition on daily basis through a combination of play and focus activities. This year we have also been developing the children's knowledge of key mathematical concepts such as shape, pattern and capacity.

Expressive arts and design allows our children to unleash their imagination and explore their creativity. Through exposure to music, arts and dance our children are able to learn and grow as individuals.

Understanding the World-in Nursery we explore the world around us through hands on play and guided conversation allowing us to identify the differences between ourselves and the world.

