



**Rufford Primary School and Nursery
Curriculum Newsletter
Nursery Spring Term 1**

At Rufford, we RISE

For every child, without exception, to be proud of who they are, to leave our school well-prepared for the next stage of their education and to have the knowledge and skills needed to thrive in our modern world..

Resilience Integrity Self-awareness Excellence

In Mathematics this half term we will be developing:

- Our object counting skills by exploring our 'Counting Library.' Children will choose a box of objects to count, plan how they are going to count and then record their findings by tallying.

In Personal, Social and Emotional Development we will be developing:

- Our understanding of feeling words. We will be working on labelling our feelings.
- Our collaborative play skills and the importance of sharing and listening to our peers.

In Communication and Language we will be developing:

- Our vocabulary. We will introduce then children to a range of vocabulary some of which is useful in everyday life and some of which is more subject specific.
- Our understanding of concept words such as 'full,' 'empty,' 'hard'.
- Turn taking in conversation and working collaboratively to share our ideas and thoughts with each other.
- Our listening skills to pay attention to stories that we will then retell.

In Literacy we will be developing:

- Our phonological awareness by engaging in Little Wandle phonics sessions.
- Letter formation through our daily name writing and fine motor activities to develop finger strength.
- Our awareness of the structure of simple stories and beginning to create our own by using traditional tales and storyboards.

In Physical Development we will be developing:

- Core strength for writing through dough disco and yoga.
- Fine motor skills by participating in dough disco and fine motor activities.
- Co-ordination and control by using our outside balancing equipment.
- Independence in getting ready to go outside. We will be taking our own shoes off, pegging them together and putting our waterproofs on.

In Expressive Arts and Design we will be developing:

- Working in collaboration to create a piece of art work.
- Using a range of different art techniques using paint, paper and technology.
- Movement and music by participating in a variety of song and dance opportunities.
- Our story telling in the role play, book corner and small world area.

In Understanding The World we will be developing:

- Our understanding of the natural world and how things grow and change by beginning to create a gardening space in our outside area.
- Developing our care and concern for living things by taking part in the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch.