

Dunmore Primary School

Nursery Curriculum Newsletter - Spring Term 1 2026



Our Themes this Term	Communication and Language
<p>Winter – 2 weeks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winter in our environment Looking after yourself in winter Winter animals and habitats <p>Space – 2 weeks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring the solar system Making rockets <p>Chinese New Year – 1 week</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We love sharing stories with the children and spend a lot of time talking about new vocabulary through our books. We are helping the children to become good listeners, both to their teachers and their peers. We enjoy using rhymes, poems and songs. We love to give the children the chance to share their experiences with each other. We can use Tapestry to show photos of special things they have done at home.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Physical Development
<p>This term we will be celebrating the differences between us. We will help the children to learn about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepting each other Being kind Including everyone Giving and receiving compliments 	<p><u>Fine motor skills:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holding a pencil using tripod grip Regular mark making practice Cutting skills Dough activities Funky finger activities <p><u>Gross motor skills:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor play available whatever the weather Building, climbing, balancing PE lessons using the apparatus to find different ways to travel Squiggle whilst you wiggle dancing Using our new bikes and scooters
Literacy	Mathematics
<p>Daily phonics sessions include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognising sounds (look out on Tapestry for which sound we are learning each week) Learning vocabulary linked to our sound Learning a rhyme and action linked to our sound <p>Please continue to support your children by sharing stories at home.</p>	<p>Daily White Rose maths sessions include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore position and space Show me 1,2,3 Move and label 1,2,3
Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Design
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our winter theme will help us understand the seasons and weather. We will explore making and melting ice. We will think about animals suited to the cold weather and think about their homes. We will think about the clothing we wear in the Winter 	<p>Through all our themes we aim to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use a variety of artistic effects such as paint, pastels and chalk. Sing songs related to our themes. Use Small world role play Construction and building activities Move in time to music

- We will learn about different cultures as part of our Chinese New Year theme.
- Our Space theme will help us to understand the solar system and how our world is part of something bigger. We will look at events from history such as rocket launches and moon exploration.
- Make patterns using musical instruments

Important Information

Singing assembly	We join Reception and Key Stage 1 for a singing and signing assembly on Thursday morning.
PE	Our PE day is Monday and Tuesday morning. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for physical activities.

Requests to Parents

- PLEASE make sure that all items of clothes, water bottles and packed lunch boxes are named!
- Please remember that we only allow water in water bottles. The children may bring a different drink for their lunch.
- As the weather gets colder please make sure the children have enough warm clothes to enable them to play outside.
- Please note we do not allow scarves and mittens are easier for your child to put on.

Key Dates

Friday 13th February – Last day of term