

# Little Stars Nursery

## Nursery Provision for 2 year olds

Dear Little Stars Families,

Welcome back to the second half of our Autumn Term. It is amazing to see how the children have developed since starting Little Stars and how much more they all are interacting with the adults, each other and the provision.

### Autumn 2 Term Topic

Our topic this term is "Feelings". In early years development it is important to support children with managing how they feel and how they express this. This term we will be doing activities which encourage the children to be kind, say sorry, take turns and share. This will include role play such as looking after the dolls, dressing up, and playing together in the home corner. At carpet time, the children will take turns with sharing books and instruments. During all activities, we will encourage sharing.

As you know our focus in Little Stars is predominantly around the prime areas of learning. **Personal, Social and Emotional, (PSED)** **Physical Development (PD)** and **Communication and Language (CL)**. Therefore our provision is centred around developing these skills with the children.



Look at the all things we have been doing in Little Stars this half term...



The children have enjoyed using their voices to act out scenes such as using the telephone to call Mummies and Daddies.



In Little Stars the children have enjoyed looking after the dolls, using plasters, bandages and doctor's equipment to take care of the dolls.



It is important for the children to get an opportunity to take part in physical education - the children enjoy running under the parachute, playing parachute games and trying to stretch up tall and touch all the colours.



The children use various movements to create artwork such as using bingo dabbers to create splatters on the cardboard box.

## Transition into 3 year olds

In Little Stars we have some children who will be turning 3 soon. If your child is soon to be three, you will receive a letter from us which tells you that we will begin their transition into our three-year-old Nursery.

This will begin with a practitioner taking your child to Nursery and playing there for a part of the day with them. We will try to extend the time spent in Nursery a little each day. The Little Stars practitioners will keep you updated with your child's progress and eventually talk to you about them starting in the 3 year old Nursery.

### Mathematics

#### Numbers

- Make skittles with me from plastic bottles. Play games where we have to keep a score of how many skittles we've knocked down.
- Sing counting rhymes with me like "Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer" or "1,2,3,4,5 Once I Caught a Fish Alive".

#### Shape, space and measure

- Let me sort the clothes so that I put all the ones with the same pattern or colour like red, spotty or stripy, together.

### Expressive Arts and Design

#### Exploring and using media and materials

- Let me explore the different sounds I can make with everyday things like spoons, pots and plastic bowls.
- Make a box with paper, glue, scissors and crayons that I can use to make pictures.

#### Being imaginative

- Let me dress up using grown ups' clothes, pieces of fabric, hats and bags so that I can pretend to be somebody else.

### Understanding the World

#### People and communities

- Let me taste food from different countries and cultures.

#### The world

- Let me explore bubbles, windmills or streamers when it's windy.
- Let me use toy cars, buses or trains to make up stories about going to the supermarket, going on holiday or going to nursery.

#### Technology

- Let me press buttons on things like torches or remote control cars to see what happens.

### Literacy

#### Reading

- Let me use my toys to help me tell you stories that we've shared.
- When you read me stories that I know really well, stop at different parts and let me tell you the missing word.

#### Writing

- Draw and paint with me and tell me what you're doing.
- When you're writing lists or filling in forms let me have my own paper or forms so that I can make my own marks.



If you have any questions or concerns, please talk to the Little Stars practitioners at the beginning or end of the day. Thank you for your continued support.

Little Stars Team.