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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back! I hope you have had a lovely Easter break and that everyone has rested and ready for the summer term. This term in nursery, our topics will be '**Do All Superheroes wear Capes?**' where we will be learning about people who help us as well as some superheroes such as Supertato and '**What happens Next?**' Which will cover transitions to Reception and thinking about simple science experiments.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Children will continue to follow our classroom and school rules as well as continue to play and work together in a friendly and kind manner. This half term we will have a particular focus on being considerate to other's needs, to share and take turns and begin to resolve minor conflicts with little adult support.

Communication and Language and Literacy

This term in Nursery, we are going to be having extra focus on working in small groups with a grown up each week. The purpose of these activities will be to ensure that the children are able to do the following in preparation to starting reception class next year:

- Listen to others 1:1 and in small groups.
- Listen to stories with increasing attention and recall.
- Join in with repeated refrains and anticipates key events and phrases in rhymes and stories.
- Opportunities to ask and answer appropriate questions.
- Build up and extend their use of vocabulary.

In phonics our focus will remain on identifying the initial sounds of words, and on blending and segmenting simple CVC words.
We will soon be sending home suggestions of how you can support your child's phonics learning at home. We also encourage you to continue to work with them by reading a variety of books and getting the children to talk about the stories.

Each day we will be encouraging the class to 'sign in' on our large register, either by copying their name from their name card or by writing it from memory.

Mathematics

In Maths, children will be expected to do the following:
•Recite numbers in order to 10.
•Know that numbers identify how many objects are in a set.
•Begin to represent numbers using fingers, marks on paper or pictures.
•Sometimes match numeral and quantity correctly.

Understanding of the World

In Understanding of the World, children will be learning and expected to:
•Talk about some of the things they have observed such as plants, animals, natural and found objects.
•Talk about why things happen and how things work.
•Show care and concern for living things and the environment

Religion
Our RE topics this term are Good News, Friends and Our World. We will also continue to learn and practise the 'Our Father' and 'Hail Mary' prayers, as well as our school daily prayers.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be involved in creative activities related to our topics. In particular, children will be learning and expected to:

•Uses available resources to create props to support role-play.
•Capture experiences and responses with a range of media, such as music, dance and paint and other materials or words.
•Create simple representations of events, people and objects.
•Choose particular colours to use for a purpose.
• Introduce a storyline or narrative into their play.

Physical Development

This half term we will also have a particular focus on children being able to:

- Negotiate space successfully when playing racing and chasing games with other children, adjusting speed or changing direction to avoid obstacles.
- Experiment with different ways of moving.
- Hold pencil in a proper grip.
- Copying letters from their name.

Sports day will take place after half term. We will announce the date as soon as it has been confirmed.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to a great term ahead!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Meriel McCauley (Nursery Teacher)