



## Edward the Elder Nursery Summer Term 2022

**Welcome back** after the Spring break! This is an exciting term for us in Nursery, welcoming our new children and preparing children who will be transitioning on to Reception soon.

Our learning and fun will begin with the topic 'No place like home'. Learning continues to take place through a mix of adult led and child-initiated sessions indoors and outdoors. The children guide our learning wherever possible.

We are looking forward to continuing to explore seasons and welcoming Summer!

### Understanding the World



We have all enjoyed being scientists observing and recording changes over time when comparing seasonal changes. We look forward to developing this learning as we welcome the season Summer. We will continue to use our senses when exploring the world around us.

This half term we will start to learn about homes and communities.

### Literacy

At Edwards we love to read! This term we will enjoy reading stories about homes and communities. In nursery communication and language is so important, as always, we will encourage children to engage in conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary. We will support our nursery children to understand that print has meaning and different purposes and begin to ask questions about the text.

Thank you for your efforts with Reading Passports!

The children will receive short, structured teaching of Phonics appropriate to their ability and through carefully planned play activities and the learning environment to develop their phonic knowledge. Our existing children will continue to develop their current phonic knowledge. When appropriate they will practise recognising the written form of sounds within words using the correct letter formation using letters from their name and more.



### Personal, Social and Emotional Development & PSHE Weekly Themes

Through PSHE lessons and all areas of the Early Years Curriculum, children will develop their skills surrounding making relationships, self-confidence, awareness and managing their feelings and behaviour. A key focus for this term will be wellbeing.



### Mathematics

Children in nursery have thrived in number recognition recently having been introduced to the characters from Ten Town. We will continue to familiarise ourselves with numbers through play opportunities, songs, stories, and rhymes. We will continue to learn songs for numbers 0-5 to support our understanding of number and number formation.

As budding mathematicians much of our mathematical work will be practical, using apparatus such as Numicon, cubes and small toys. Children will continue to count and compare small amounts accurately.

We are excited to learn more about shape, pattern, and measure in our environment.

### Communication and Language

Through all areas of the curriculum, children will develop their communication and language. Reading frequently to children, and then providing them with opportunities to use and embed new words in a range of contexts, such as carefully-planned Role Play, circle-time activities, outdoor learning and small group teaching, will give children the opportunity to thrive.



### Physical Development

Children will continue to receive at least one taught session of PE each week where they will need to wear a pair of black pumps to school. These can be kept at school so the children have them when accessible when needed. Children will also have daily access to our outdoor classroom, allowing their gross motor skills to be refined. It is important for the children to improve their fine motor skills by taking part in fine motor activities such as cutting and threading.

### Expressive Arts and Design

### Religious education

Children will develop their skills in EAD by exploring and using different media and materials and by being imaginative. This term we will learn more about colours and colour mixing.

RE will be taught through all of our areas, especially PSED and Topic. Learning opportunities will be through play-based provision using games, stories, and artefacts.

### Homework

Library will continue to take place every Wednesday. When appropriate children will start to bring home picture books and a reading diary, we encourage children to read every day. Children will be encouraged to use their log in's to Purple mash. As well as continuing to share in our 'Sharing together journals' and at 'Show and Tell' during different intervals throughout the year. We thank you for your continued support! Reading passports will continue to go home – Thank you for your efforts with these so far.