Celebrations!

Moonstone Class Autumn 2 2026

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children will learn to:

- Self-regulate during transition times
- Express a range of emotions
- Ask for help, expressing my needs and wants
- Show self-control – asking to have a turn or join in
- Enjoy playing alone, alongside or with others
- Developing independence and self confidence 'I can do it'
- Understand routines and boundaries in the Nursery
- Play alone / alongside / with others
- Develop friendships / relationships with peers and adults

So that they:

Begin to understand their emotions, what they are, how they feel, what they look like and how to respond

Enjoy and use the resources on offer to explore alone or with others

Begin to understand the expectations of nursery though routines and rules

PSHE - Jigsaw

Children will learn to:

- know that everyone is different
- Include others when working or playing
- Help someone who is not being included
- Try to solve problems
- Use kind words
- Give and receive compliments

So that they:

Learn to celebrate our differences and similarities with others. Grow a sense of community

Maths

Children will learn to:

- Recognise amounts of 1 and 2 on a 5 frame
- Subitise to 2 (say the amount without counting)
- Accurately count to 2 objects
- Make patterns using two colours or two objects alternately
- Begin to recognise, copy, extend and generalise patterns or sequences around them

So that they:

Understand that numbers represent amounts (before looking at numerals), begin to notice sequencing / patterns

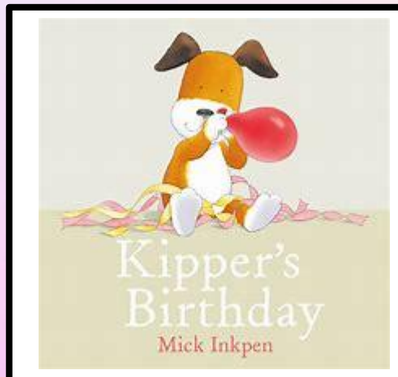
Literacy

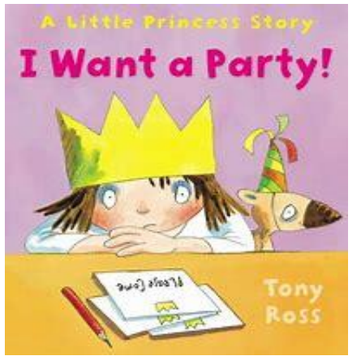
Children will learn to:

- Handle books with care, turning pages in order
- Notice pictures and symbols in the environment and recognise what they stand for
- Recognise the shape of my name or some letters in it by finger tracing my name card
- Give meaning to the marks I make
- Engage in drawing and mark making activities
- Learn new vocabulary

So that they:

Develop good reading behaviours, learn direction for writing, familiarise with letter shapes, understand that writing is communication













Physical Development

Children will learn to:

- Begin to use the balance bikes
- Begin some ball skills
- Beginning to balance
- Hold scissors and make snips
- Begin to draw lines and circles (anticlockwise)

So that they:

Develop strength in their core, shoulders, arms and wrists for writing and other handheld tools

Understanding of the World

Children will learn to:

- Talk about and describe experiences with my family
- Begin to make sense of my own life story and family history
- Role play to imitate events and customs from my own culture
- Explore other cultures and celebrations
- Begin to make connections between my family and other families
- Know some signs of Autumn
- Build my vocabulary and talk about what I notice

So that they:

Begin to get a sense of who they are, their culture and other cultures in our community, to notice similarities and differences with others, to expand vocabulary and notice the world around us

Communication and Language

Children will learn to:

- Concentrate for a short period of time on the activity they choose
- Remember some key events or characters from a story
- Understand simple questions involving who, what, where and I am beginning to answer why questions
- Recite familiar rhymes, poems and songs
- Repeat familiar phrases or words from stories
- Talk in sentences and am starting to extend them
- Start to connect ideas and stick to a topic

So that they:

Can complete a task, can demonstrate understanding, respond appropriately to questions in context, make connections with other learning

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will learn to:

- Explore colours
- Explore ways to join materials for example using glue
- Engage in role play alongside others
- Move to music
- Beginning to match pitch
- Perform in a Christmas song

So that they:

Gain confidence in self-expression, build vocabulary, explore materials to be creative

Nursery trips

We will be visiting the **Cubitt Town IDEA store** on Wednesday 25th November in the afternoon; however, we would like all children and parents to attend.

We will be attending a **Christmas show at St Luke's** on Thursday 10th December in the morning; however, we would like all children and parents to attend.