Communication and Language

We are learning to pay attention to more than one thing at a time. We are thinking about pronouns and using them correctly. We will be building our bank of songs and rhymes that we know and sing confidently. We will begin to listen to longer stories with increased attention.

Enhancement activities: Song basket, I Spy.

Physical Development

We will be developing our throwing and catching skills with balls and bean bags. We will be refining our fine motor skills through a range of activities which require pinching, squeezing and coordination.

Enhancement activities: Finger Gym tasks, chopstick challenges (Lunar New Year) ball games in hall.

Maths

We will be continuing to focus on 0-5 (counting, sequencing, problem solving) and having a deep understanding of these numbers. We will be learning to match numerals and quantities up to 5.

Enhancement activities: Tidy up challenges (numbered baskets for objects), sharing out fruit around the snack table.

Books we will be reading:

Week I: Penguin by Polly Dunbar

Week 2: One Snowy Night by Nick Butterworth

Week 3: The Snowflake by Benji Davies

Week 4: The Great Race by Emily Hiles

Week 5: Love, Splat by Rob Scotton

Nursery Spring 1 Winter Wonderland

Understanding the World

We will be exploring snowy climates and the differences between them and where we live (such as the animals, houses, and clothing). We will be investigating ice and how it changes in hot and cold environments. We will be recognising Lunar New Year and Valentines Day and talking about how/why these are celebrated.

Enhancement activities: Ice experiments, Chinese food tasting, snowflake investigation.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will revisit emotions and focus on being able to say why we feel a certain way. We will develop our sense of responsibility within the classroom through appropriate jobs and tasks (such as washing our own snack cups).

Enhancement activities: Washing up stations, tidy up challenges.

Literacy

We are developing awareness of rhythm and rhyme in songs and stories. We are learning how pages in books are sequenced and what different parts of a book are called.

Enhancement activities: Library Time, rhyming stories, nonsense rhymes.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be learning to describe music and how it makes us feel. We will be experimenting with different materials and textures and ways to join them. We will be using our own creations to enhance our small world play and provision.

Enhancement activities: Valentines cards, junk model ice bergs.