

## Workshops

Art and Design – This workshop is stocked with a wide range of materials to support the children in their creations. These include mark making resources such as pens, pencils, chalks, crayons and paints. We provide a range of equipment such as scissors, hole punches, staplers, paper clips, sellotape, masking tape, blue tack. Materials such as paper, card, lino, carpet, plastic sheets, cotton wool, wood to use as a base for their work. We look in the environment for other resources such as wood chip, bottle tops, sand, rice, pasta etc as well as getting resources from the craft bank such as small bottles, ribbons, feathers, pipe cleaners, buttons etc.

Small World – to support the children with their imagination, social skills and language skills this area is stocked with a wide range of resources such as farm animals, wild animals, pirates, dolls houses, garages and cars, dinosaurs etc

Literacy – to support the children with their mark making, letter recognition and communication skills we provide the children with a wide range of mark making equipment, paper, card, white boards, computers, magazines and books, letter charts etc. We also have a wide range of resources to support with letters and sounds including some adult directed games and activities.

Construction – To support the children with their imagination, social skills and understanding the world around them. We have large wooden blocks, plastic bricks, foam cubes as well as many small construction resources such as Duplo, Sticklebricks, K-nex, Lazy Baby etc.

Storytelling – to support with reading, social skills, letter recognition and imagination we have provided a comfy area filled with large cushions and child sized sofas allowing the children to relax as they look at the books. A wide range of books both fiction and nonfiction are provided.

Malleable and Tactile – to support with gross motor development and senses. This workshop is stocked with clay, play dough, shaving foam, corn flour for gloop, rice, spaghetti, soap flakes, wood etc. Within this workshop we also have a woodwork bench and woodwork tools.

Science – This workshop has a range of resources for the children to explore space, forces, human body, animals, season, mini beasts, weather etc.

Maths – number and maths are all around the environment and in all areas of the nursery however this workshop provides activities to develop mathematical skills such as magnetic number, dice games, number games, scales, compare bears and activities, lotto games etc.

Sand and Water – to support this workshop we have a range of resources such as funnels, bottles, tubes, spoons, whisks, tools, shells, stones, guttering etc as well as sand and water.

Role play – the role play area is set up as a home environment with a kitchen, dining area, sitting area and bedroom for the babies. This is adapted for different themes and has props to support restaurants, airports, beaches, space etc. We also have a range of dressing up resources and props so the children can get into character.

Music – we have a wide range of musical instruments from around the world such as drums, bongos, marackers, xylophones, piano, tambourines etc. We also have cd players and a range of music from classical to nursery rhymes as well as in different languages and from different cultures.

ICT – ICT is all around the environment with equipment such as computers, children's cameras, Bbops and remote controlled toys.

Movement – A wall and floor area is lined with gym mats to ensure the children can move around safely. This area is for the children to move and stretch their body making small and large movements. Equipment is provided such as gym balls, large pieces of elastic and domes are provided to support this play.