

Nursery

Spring Two Topic

How are Shadows made?

Personal, social and emotional development

This term we will be learning about seasons and how shadows are formed. We will work together and will also begin to show more confidence in new social situations and with unfamiliar people (visitors from outside).

Communication and language

Children will communicate their thoughts using a wide range of vocabulary. We will be using the outdoor environment to investigate shadows and how they are formed.

Literacy

Children will enjoy looking at fiction and non-fiction books all about shadows. Children will learn how to handle books carefully and turn the pages. Children will have the opportunity to use a light box to trace patterns, shapes and letters with their fingers or pens.

Maths

Children will, this half term, be looking and exploring shape, space and measure. Children will have lots of opportunities to think about different sizes and to measure their shadows using different units e.g. cubes, tape measures and rulers. We will use the outdoor area to provide counting opportunities including counting our shadows.



Physical Development

During this half term, we will be exploring body shapes during PE. The children will learn to show an awareness of different body parts. Children will also continue to develop their fine motor skills by tearing and, beginning to use scissors. Children will be encouraged to dress and undress independently alongside putting on their coats and fastening them. Please practise this at home.

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will have the opportunity to use the light box and resources to make interesting shapes and patterns. They will also have the chance to use light to make shadows.

Understanding the World

Children will explore how shadows are formed and what you need to make a shadow. We will also be questioning:

- Can you catch your shadow?
- Can you run away from your shadow?

Memorable Experiences

Children will have the opportunity to experience a puppet theatre show that specializes in shadow puppets. The children will have the chance to make their own puppets.

PE

PE is on...Thursday. No jewellery to be worn.