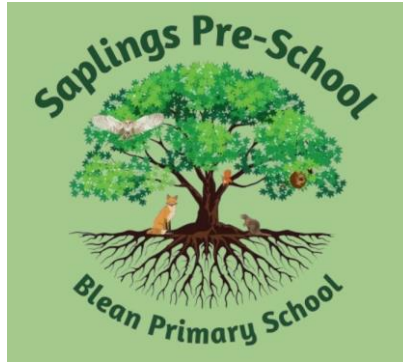


## Saplings Curriculum Overview Term 1



Dear Parents and Carers,  
Please have a look at the Pre-School's  
curriculum for the coming term.

Our focus will be

**“I wonder how it  
feels?”**

### Key Vocabulary

happy  
sad  
worried  
feelings  
friends  
sound  
listen  
more than  
fewer than

**This term we will be settling into Pre-School and learning the routines and rules. We will be exploring the new environment while accessing our ‘Root Learning’ opportunities both inside and outside. Here are some of the learning activities we will be doing in different areas of the Early Year’s curriculum.**

#### **Personal, Social and Emotional Development:**

We will be starting our whole school PSHE JIGSAW learning. Our theme this term will be ‘Being Me in My World’. This will incorporate looking at the question: 'Who am I and how do I fit?' which will mean we will look at our families and school and learn how unique we all are. We will also introduce the ‘Zones of Regulation’ which is a way of us learning how to understand different feelings.

#### **Communication and Language:**

We will be learning how to be confident to ask for our needs to be met. We will also learn how to talk in small circle times and take turns to talk and also listen to others.

#### **Physical Development:**

We will be accessing both fine motor and gross motor activities. These will include early cutting skills, threading, puzzles and using tongs and tweezers. We will also use various small equipment, such as large balls and hoops outside.

#### **Literacy:**

We will start Phase 1 phonics which includes learning to listen and distinguish different environmental sounds and learning how to clap syllables. We will also be accessing lots of mark making opportunities inside and outside, including chalking, drawing, letter patterns and painting

#### **Mathematics:**

In Maths we will be learning ‘more than’ and ‘fewer than’ and ‘same’ to compare amounts of objects. We will also be exploring and building with shapes and objects and hearing and saying early number names.

#### **Expressive Arts and Design:**

We will be exploring different media through painting, collage and dough. We will create our faces using different techniques. We will also be learning lots of nursery rhymes and songs.

#### **Understanding the World:**

We will be talking about where we live and who we live with. We will talk about our families. We will explore different materials comparing textures and using descriptive words to describe them.

Please feel free to ask any of the adults in Pre-School any questions about what your child has been doing. Look out for pictures on Tapestry too.