Dear Parents, We aim to cover the following list of activities with our pre-school children this term;

DEVELOPING SOCIAL AND PERSONAL SKILLS. Taking turns and waiting to take turns. sharing, working co-operatively. Working independently and in groups, Gaining confidence in Nursery. Tidying up. Practical life activities.

COMMUNICATION and LANGUAGE

Respond to instructions. Listen and respond to ideas expressed by others in conversation. Extend concentration and sit quietly during appropriate activity.

LITERACY.

Listening to stories and joining in with rhymes and poems, extending vocabulary. Recognise some sounds using the Montessori sandpaper letters and the Jolly Phonic books. Choosing and looking at books **independently.** Describe story settings, events and principal characters.

MATHEMATICS.

Continuing to recognise early numbers. Grouping and matching, sorting and comparing objects. Recognising shapes. Ordering items by length and height, Numbers and pairs Sensorial activities, dice games, jig-saws.

KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE WORLD.

Learning the days of the week. Growing, planting and healthy eating. Chinese New Year. Taking part in the weekly projects. Montessori cultural activities.

CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT.

Water play, cooking. Growing plants, making collages, sponge painting, colour mixing, junk modelling, finger painting, flower arranging, sticking using a variety of materials. Roleplay.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT.

Scissor practice Developing pencil control, recognising and writing names . Beginning to form some recognizable letters. Yoga. Following rhythms, Dancing to music. Throwing and catching balls, parachute games. Riding trikes and balance bikes.