### Literacy

Our focus will be on Nursery rhymes related to occupations such as 'Miss Polly Had a Dolly' and 'Five Currant Buns'.

We will be learning to write our name using a cursive style. Some of us might be ready to practise writing our whole name. Some of us will learn some of the letters in our names. We will be drawing five currant buns and creating our own versions of rhymes such as 'Five Little Spotty Dogs' using the rhyme 'Five Little Speckled Frogs'.

#### **Mathematics**

We will be counting regularly including in our daily circle time sessions when we count how many children are in our group. We will continue to develop our number skills through activities such as counting five pennies and taking one penny away every time someone buys a currant bun.

We will make feelings characters using shapes (using Mr Men stories for ideas) during 'Miss Polly Had a Dolly' week.

When we learn about scientists, we will fill containers with coloured water in the water tray, focussing on full, half-full and empty.

### **Physical Development**

As well as having access to the equipment in our Early Years garden to develop our physical skills we will learn to move in a range of ways, such as slithering, shuffling, rolling, crawling, walking, running, jumping, skipping, sliding and hopping.

We will continue to develop our fine-motor control through the programme 'WriteDance in Nursery'. We will use syringes in our water tray science lab to develop our fine motor development.

## Communication and Language

Grandma Fantastic will teach us the word occupation,

We will focus on asking questions. Grownups, who have different occupations, will visit us and we will ask questions we want to find out the answer to.



# Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be continuing our whole school approach to PSE called 'Jigsaw'. The focus this half term will be on 'Healthy Me'.

We will continue our 'All About Me' Sessions and the children will take turns to share something from home with their group.

We will have the opportunity to be more outgoing towards unfamiliar people when we have visitors in nursery.

### **Expressive Arts and Design**

**Exploring media and materials:** As always, we will have access to a range of construction kits. We will be singing nursery rhymes and using the parachute to play games in the Early Years garden.

**Being imaginative:** We will be making a junk model emergency vehicle and making salt-dough fossils when we talk about the occupation of a palaeontologist. We will have the opportunity to draw a bowl of fruit in our 'Healthy School Week', which will give us the chance to develop our observational drawing skills.

## **Understanding the World**

**The world:** We will be pond dipping in our school pond and looking closely at water snails and newts. We will be developing our understanding of growth, decay and changes over time when we talk about dinosaurs.

**People and Communities:** We will visit the bakery in Stony Stratford and learn about the occupation of a baker

**Technology:** We will continue to develop our ICT skills. We will be using 2City on 'PurpleMash' to create different scenarios such as a doctor surgery by clicking and dragging the different items on to the scene on the screen.