Class topic learning information for school website.

To be completed each half term and placed in the relevant file on the staff server by the end of the first week of each half term

Term	Spring 1 <sup>st</sup> Half Term
Class Year group	Nursery
Topic	A Royal Visit! (Kings, Queens and Castles)
Overview of topic	This half term we will receive a letter from the Queen saying that she will be visiting our Nursery! We will find lots out about our Royal family in preparation for her visit. We will also find out about Kings and Queens from the past and castles. We will also base our play around the story of George and the dragon and find a mysterious egg in our nursery garden – what could it be???
Communication and Language focus	We will be doing lots of talking and follow up activities based around our visit from the Queen. We will have lots to find out and get ready for. We will be learning lots of new words to describe castles like moat and turret, we will use them in our Kings and Queens play. We will enjoy retell and acting out the story of George and the dragon.
Physical Development focus	We will continue to try hard to be independent around nursery, by putting our coats, hats, scarves on to keep us warm outside in the cold weather. We will try to use the toilet and wash our hands by ourselves. We will explore outdoors by running, jumping, climbing and moving in different ways. We will take part in Write Dance and Dough Disco to help us develop our gross and fine motor skills.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development focus	We will continue to support the children through our continuous provision to be independent at making choices of what they would like to do and play with. We will talk about our feelings and how they can affect other people. We will welcome our new Afternoon starters and continue to develop our nursery routines and think about what is expected of us at nursery, like having kind hands and using kind words.
Other learning	As part of our learning we will also be painting pictures of the Queen. We will construct castles from bricks and junk box models to use in our play. We will make crowns, shields and tabards to support our role play. We will develop mathematical concepts through our play by counting, recognising numerals and shapes. Measuring flags, using positional language.
Things to do at home	At the start of every term we send home a mind map showing learning the children will take part in. We love to hear about what you have been doing with your children at home and welcome your child to bring in any learning / photographs that support our learning. Speaking and listening to your children is so important and our mind maps can be used to prompt discussions about what we have been doing at nursery this week. Singing and sharing stories together is also a valuable experience you can share with your child.