What we are learning about in Nursery at Lakeside during Summer term 2.

In Summer term 2, we will explore topics based on interests and fascinations as well as some planned learning linked to celebrations happening. Our learning links to the four nursery topic themes:

Exploring my world All about me Let's celebrate Once upon a time

We learn through play and exploration alongside our peers and the adults. We also have short carpet sessions. Through all learning, we develop the prime areas of learning - Communication and language, personal, social and emotional development and physical development and develop our specific area skills: Literacy, Maths, Understanding the world and Expressive arts and design.

Week 1: "Can you make a crown for the Queen?"

This week we will welcome back the children and talk about what they did over the half term break.

We will read about the Queens jubilee and ask the children if they celebrated this on their week off.

We will be making different crafts relating to the jubilee, such as crowns, flags and jewels and will have the support of parents and carers when doing this.

Week 2: "Where do Princess and Princesses live?"

We will be reading about different princes and princesses and thinking about where they live.

We will get creative with the different blocks and build our very own castle, tower or palace for the prince and princess to live in.

We will be inviting the children to come into school dressed as their favourite 'fairytale' character

We will practice our EYFS jubilee song and perform it to the
rest of the school, using our beautiful singing voices and
actions to go along with it.

Week 3: "How do dragons move around?"

We will be looking at the book 'Zog' and watching it on iPlayer, discussing what dragons are like, where they live and how they move around.

We will look at different shapes in our maths groups, describing their 'properties' (4 corners, round, straight, flat).

Week 5: "How many minibeasts can you name?"

We will continue to look at bugs, widening our knowledge on them through different books and short clips.

We will be searching for pretend bugs in the sand and creating our own bugs with the play dough, using our fine motor skills to roll, squeeze and move it into the correct shape.

Week 4: "What bugs can we find around the school?"

This week we will be exploring all things great and small - bugs!

We will have a walk around the school and see whether we can find a range of bugs, naming and counting them with our check lists.

We will look at and count how many legs are on the different bugs that we find.

We will read our book 'Mad about Minibeasts' and discuss each one as we turn the pages.

Week 6: "Who would you invite to a party?"

As we get closer to the end of term, we will start getting prepared for our nursery party by thinking about invites and who we would like to invite to a party.

We will have a discussion about the friends that we have made, asking the children to talk about their friends and who they like to play with.

We will have different sized/coloured paper and envelopes out in the creative area for the children to write and 'send off' their invites for the party.

Key skills that we are working on - Please support children at home to develop these skills:

- ❖ We will begin to recognise and have go at tracing our own names this half term.
- * We will all become independent in putting on our own coats and doing up our own zips.
- ❖ We will all get better at counting amounts accurately; knowing that the last number is the total.
- * We will all work on our speaking skills and develop our talk to make sure we speak in full sentences.

