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The activities for February 2020 in the Toddlers section

This **February**, the theme of the “**Carnival**” will be highlighted in the Toddlers section. The theme will be broadly explored to spark the children’s **curiosity** about the different elements of this celebration of the year and their special features.

The theme will be introduced by discovering a **picture book on the Carnival**. In this book, they will find various pictures of objects such as **masks, costumes, confetti, a brass band**, etc. The children will also meet a new mascot/emblem of the Carnival: the **Harlequin**! Just like the start of every month, the children will also discover new **books** and **songs** on the theme. These activities will introduce the theme while developing the children’s **early learning** and **language**.

Different **creative activities** will also be offered to the children. The team in this section will help the children create a **clown** using different techniques, such as painting, colouring in and sticking. This will also be the chance for the children to discover a new shape: **the circle**. Drawing workshops will also be set up with any interested children in order to help develop their **imagination, creativity, vocabulary** and **fine motor skills**. The team will also take advantage of this theme to offer crafts such as making a **Carnival mask**.

As with every month, the nursery carers will take advantage of the children’s birthdays to set up a **culinary activity** to teach them about different flavours in an appealing, friendly way. They will therefore make sweet or savoury recipes and will be able to learn about the smells, tastes and textures of foods. This month, the children will be able to make a snack by making **delicious pancakes**. Mmmm!

Imaginative play such as **dressing up, puppets** or **dolls** will also be offered all throughout the month, as well as **construction, shape sorting** and **fine motor skills games**.

Complementing these activities, we will offer **psychomotor** workshops twice a week. The team of nursery carers will lead various activities in these workshops, such as balancing, jumping, trails, games with the parachute or the ball pool.

Psst...! Why not make the most of the festive atmosphere of the Carnival to **dance** and throw confetti to the tune of a brass band and drums? ☺

The activities for February 2020 in the Nursery School section

This **February**, the nursery school section has chosen the theme of: “**Carnivals around the world**”. The team will take advantage of this theme to set up workshops allowing them to work on different areas of development, such as language, creativity, early learning, imagination, plastic arts, reading, logic, etc.

For the activities on **verbal language**, the team in this class will offer different workshops such as reading **stories** or learning **nursery rhymes** connected to the theme. The team will also offer **picture books** and **language cards** to help the children learn the vocabulary. The children will also be able to learn about the different actors involved in the Carnival and even create a **little show**.

During the **early learning** workshops, the children will be able to talk about various Carnivals around the world (for example, Binche, Rio and Venice). This will be the chance to **explore** the map of Europe and start discovering the carnival atmosphere!

To teach the children about **logical/mathematical reasoning**, the nursery carers will offer **sorting** activities with confetti or even **counting** workshops involving typical characters from the Carnival.

In terms of **artistic activities**, the team is planning to set up **creative workshops** (painting and colouring in with different techniques) and **crafts** on the theme. This February, the children will, in particular, have the opportunity to create **masks** and build a **puppet theatre**.

Several **psychomotor** sessions will also take place every week. This month, various activities will be offered to the children, such as skittles, throwing balls, juggling and a balancing trail. And of course, in connection with the festive theme of the month, the team will offer the children **dance** workshops or **round dances** with Carnival music.

Fine motor skills exercises are also planned: the children will draw a **streamer** and will handle a **hole punch**.

Finally, in addition to the themed activities, the children will be able to enjoy **imaginative play**, **construction and handling games**, as well as the various **board games** available every day in the different areas of the classroom.





The activities for February 2020 in the babies section

The celebrations and traditions that take place in **February** are the chance to highlight “**the Carnival and Valentine’s Day**” in the babies section. What’s more, the children will be able to make different artistic and sensory creations so they can help decorate the nursery.

Just like previous months, the children will be divided into **small groups** so they can discover the learning resources offered in detail, while also maintaining **the interest and curiosity** of every child.

Continuing our educational programme, **each sense** will be specifically stimulated to encourage **harmonious development**:

The activities to stimulate **hearing** will involve **reading suitable books** for the children. **Nursery rhyme** sessions will also take place during the morning assembly. They will help welcome each child in class. What’s more, in keeping with the theme, the children will listen to **music** and **songs** on the **Carnival**.

For **taste** and **smell**, the teams will take advantage of the children’s birthdays to set up a **culinary activity**. This will be the chance for them to observe, smell, touch and taste different sweet and savoury flavours.

In terms of **touch**, the team for this class will offer various objects with different **shapes, colours** and **textures**. The children will therefore be able to feel new textures and sensations by handling a **sensory face cloth, fabrics, sensory bottles** or even **sensory balls**. The theme of the Carnival will also allow us to introduce other typical objects, textures and colours of the tradition of Carnival.

Again in keeping with the theme of the celebrations that occur in February, **creative activities** involving the sense of **touch** will also be organised. The programme will include: painting with hands and fingers, crafts in the shape of a heart and making pretty accessories for the Carnival! 😊

A **relaxation workshop** will also be set up, when the children will be able to relax by listening to music or enjoying **mini relaxing massages** adapted to each child and performed by the nursery carers.

For **sight**, the children will have time to discover shadow and light games thanks to **light-up balls** and **projections of different shapes and colours** in a darkened room.

Finally, **psychomotor activities** will be organised and offered each week depending on the children’s development and age. These activities will help stimulate their motor skills development and will encourage them to learn how to walk.