

## Reception: Autumn Term Early Years Map

During this term we will be focussing mostly on the Prime Areas of Learning (Communication and Language, Physical Development and Social and Emotional Development). Research shows that the prime areas of learning are very important as they lay the foundations for children's success in all other areas of learning. We review our planning daily in order to meet children's needs and interests.

### Communication and Language:

Children will be listening to stories and ideas responding with relevant comments. Children will be extending their vocabulary and begin to confidently communicate their feelings and needs. Questions why things happen and gives explanations. Asks e.g. 'who', 'what', 'when', 'how.'

### Mathematics

Children will be counting and recognising numbers to ten and beyond. We will also begin to explore shape and space.

### Understanding the World:

Children will recognise and discuss the changes in the environment. Children will be able to identify some of the things that make them unique. They will also be encouraged to ask questions about aspects of their familiar world.

### Physical Development:

Children will be developing their gross and fine motor skills in preparation for holding a pencil. They will be negotiating space and experimenting with different ways of moving. Children will be encouraged to share their independence with regards to self-help. For example, fastening their coat, putting on an apron.

### Literacy:

Children will begin to hear and recognise initial sounds in words. They will also recall events from familiar stories. Children will learn to write their own name.

### Topics that may be covered:

(Please note these topics may change due to children's interests)

All about me & celebrating differences

Autumn

The Gruffalo

Harvest

Animals that hibernate

Nocturnal animals

Bonfire night

Diwali

Christmas

### Social and Emotional Development:

Children will be exploring new activities and making new friends. They will begin to accept the needs of others, taking turns and sharing resources. Children will be aware of own feelings and know that some actions and words can hurt others' feelings. We have a whole school scheme that supports children's emotional well-being.

### Expressive Art and Design:

Children will explore a range of materials and textures. They will begin to build a repertoire of songs and dances.

### **Additional Year Group Information:**

**PE:** PE will be held on a Friday. Please ensure your child arrives in a full PE kit. This includes a yellow t-shirt, black shorts or jogging bottoms and black plimsolls or trainers.

**Independence skills:** Please encourage your children to take responsibility for their own belongings and ensure that they can recognise their own personal items.

**Homework:** Children will receive a different home challenge every Friday. We invite to parents to publish their children's activity or work on Tapestry.

**Weather:** In early years learning also takes place outdoors. Please ensure that your child **ALWAYS** has a raincoat and wellies in school so that they can explore and learn outside on rainy days. This is especially important during this current climate.