



Reading

Throughout the term we will be sharing a range of texts with the children, including poetry, non-fiction and fiction. The children will learn to recite repetitive phrases and ask and answer questions based on what they have heard. The children will also use their developing phonic skills to begin to read simple words and short sentences with independence.

Maths

This term in maths we will be covering a range of topics. These will include exploring and creating patterns, matching, sorting and comparing amounts and numbers as well as comparing size, mass and capacity.

Understanding the World

This term we will have opportunities to name, describe and talk about members of our immediate family and community as well as people who are familiar to us. We will focus on understanding our bodies and getting to know our school community too.

We will also learn about celebrations such as Harvest Festival, Bonfire Night, Diwali, Sukkot/Hanukkah, Christmas, Remembrance Day, World Space Day, Road Safety Week, Christmas Jumper Day, Children in Need and Christingle.

We will begin to learn how to explore the natural world around us by describing what they we see, hear and feel whilst outside. We will also learn to understand the effects of changing seasons on the natural world around us by exploring the Season of Autumn.

Literacy

In Literacy we will begin to write our own names and develop a good pencil grip, learning to form letters correctly through big movements and daily handwriting sessions. We will use key texts to encourage writing beginning with simple labels and progressing to short sentences. Key texts include Simon Sock, Think Big and Be Brave. We will focus on spelling simple words correctly and having a good go at spelling more complex words using their phonic knowledge.

Expressive art and design

This term the children will explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express ideas and feelings, eg they will express their own self-image through art. They will learn basic paint, colour mixing and clay moulding skills. They will learn about body percussion, how to use simple musical instruments to keep a beat and new songs too.

Communication and language

Throughout our reading we will come across new words. In Reception we will discuss what these words might mean and begin to use them in our discussions with others. Each week we will focus on a new word that we would like all children to be able to use and understand to widen their vocabulary.

Personal social and emotional health

As we begin a new school year we will focus on what makes a good friend and why we choose to friends with certain people. We will discuss what we enjoy doing with our friends and why it's important to make good friendships and how they can support us in school.

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Physical Education

In PE the children will be learning to develop their confidence in fundamental movements. They will experience jumping, sliding, rolling, and moving under and over apparatus. This will help them improve their coordination and gross motor skills. This term the children will be introduced to the Kinetic letters animal positions that help them with pencil control and writing.