

Communication and Language

We will have plenty of opportunity to develop our listening skills in the classroom. We will be listening to lots of stories and retelling them to each other during Story Making. We will be talking about the stories that we are reading and answering *why* and *how* questions. We will be taking part in lots of role play through various stories and poems.

Physical Development

We will be practising our fundamental Agility, Balance and Coordination (ABC) skills through games. On Mondays, the children will have Balanceability, which combines ergonomic balance bikes with a schedule of fun activities that build confidence, spatial awareness and dynamic balance skills. We will have plenty of opportunity to develop our fine motor skills by playing with: playdough, threading and practising using scissors. PE will be on Mondays and Wednesdays this term.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be learning how to draw and paint a self-portrait of ourselves. We will also be learning to draw different types of lines and shapes. We will explore the differences between fruits and vegetables using their senses (taste, texture, smell etc.). We will listen to the story 'The Best Pumpkin Soup' and discuss the key ingredients the characters used before developing a class-based vegetable soup recipe.

Reception

Autumn 2023

If your child has any questions or things they would like to find out about our topic please encourage them to ask us and we will endeavour to research it as a class.

Into the Deep Dark Woods



Literacy

Some of the books we are looking at this term include: Pumpkin Soup by Helen Cooper; The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson; Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak *and lots of other traditional nursery rhymes* We will be learning to read and write initial sounds and will soon be blending them together to start reading! We will have lots of opportunity in the classroom to practise our writing, both independently on the writing table and also with the teacher's help.

Mathematics - The children will cover the units below this term:

Number

- Match and Sort
- Compare Amounts
- Representing Numbers to 5
- One More and Less

Measure, Shape and Spatial Thinking:

Compare Size, Mass and Capacity; Exploring Pattern; Circles and Triangles; Positional Language; Shapes with 4 Sides & Time.

Understanding the World

As scientists and explorers, we will be looking at different types of weather to identify seasonal patterns in the UK and to use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to seasons and weather. Throughout the school year we will discuss changes across the four seasons, this term we will think about autumn and upcoming winter. As historians, our big question will be 'How am I making history?' We will talk about memories and place one of them on a timeline and explain why memories are special and name four events that they celebrate throughout the year. Forest school with Mrs Cane will be on Tuesdays.

RE

As we explore our school value of Respect and Friendship this term and we will think about how we kindness to others as well as how we show respect. We will be thinking about what makes every single person unique and precious. We will look at belonging and being a part of a community. We will share occasions that have made us feel special.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

At the beginning of this term will we be developing our relationships with our teacher Miss Robinson and other adults that help us in school. We will be looking at fire, road safety as well as thinking about responsibility. Children will explore what it means to live in the wider world.