

Personal, Social & Emotional

The children will be learning about keeping and staying healthy. Developing skills to make healthy choices:

- To know and talk about health and wellbeing.
- To manage own basic hygiene and personal needs.
- To make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and toothbrushing.

Communication & Language

The children will be developing speaking and listening skills through organising play, sharing ideas and problem solving. They will be:

- Listening to stories and using language to develop imaginative stories with others.
- Listen and respond to peers, creating discussions and exploring ideas.
- Develop vocabulary and articulate their ideas clearly.
- Engage in non-fiction to develop knowledge and vocabulary.

Visits and events:

- Fire service visit staying safe.
- World Nursery Rhyme week.
- Books before bedtime.
- Grandparent / family visitors
- Owl visit
- Photography workshop
- Nativity and Panto

Physical Development

The children will be developing small motor skills to use tools and equipment. They will be using small and large balls to develop skills:

- To develop and refine a range of ball skills including throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming.
- To use one handed tools and equipment with good control.
- Develop pencil control for drawing and writing.

Numeracy

The children will be learning to count accurately up to 10/20. Recognising numbers and recording numerals. Children will explore positional and directional language. Children will learn:

- Number bonds up to 5/10.
- Practical addition up to 10, including one more.
- Explore number patterns using Numicon.
- Create repeating patterns.

Literacy

Children will be enjoying a range of books and sensory exploration to develop imaginative play and language. They will be researching animals using non-fiction books and ICT.

- Talk for writing story maps and large-scale story obstacle maps.
- Exploring fiction and non-fiction books.
- To use adjectives and descriptive language.
- Reading and writing labels, captions, fact sheets and posters.
- Read and write short sentences.
- To learn and recall letter sounds for reading and writing.

Curriculum Map: Into the woods

Understanding the World

We will be exploring and asking questions to gain knowledge about the natural world, talking about observations made. Finding out about our family and school community. Children will learn:

- In Science: Explore light and dark, identifying light sources. Learn about nocturnal animals.
- In History: Talk about family experiences and memories.
- In Geography: Explore our school and community. Identifying different environments.
- In RE: Why is Christmas special for Christians.

Expressive Arts & Design

The children will be exploring art through our topic of light and dark. They will use a range of media to create pictures, using natural materials and photography. Children will:

- Explore colour mixing and techniques to create pictures.
- Look at the work of Andy Goldsworthy to create artwork using natural materials.
- Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects. Shadow artwork.
- Listen, move to and talk about music, expressing ideas and feelings.

Outdoor Learning

- Explore outdoor environment and habitats.
- Shadows and light.
- Den building bear cave and bear hunt.
- Explore environments to retell stories.
- Natural environment and materials create artwork.
- Create a light reflection area
- Camping
- Night vision cameras wildlife in school.

Early Years: Autumn 2nd Half Term 2024