

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be reading the story of 'The Colour Monster.' We will use this story to explore a range of emotions. We will be learning to name different feelings and recognise these feelings when they arise within us. We will be exploring the impact of our feelings on our own bodies and also upon those around us.

Communication and Language

We will be developing our listening skills by playing different listening games. We will be learning to follow simple instructions. We will be focussing on developing our communication skills through playing and interacting with the children and adults within in the setting.

Phonics

This half term the children will be introduced to the following graphemes:

- s a t p i n m d g o c c e u r h b f l

We will be learning to read the following tricky words

- is
- I
- the

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Literacy

We will be reading a range of stories to develop our understanding of story structures and rhyme. We will also be reading key stories that will help us to develop an understanding of ourselves and our emotions. We will be reading 'The Colour Monster,' 'Ruby's Worry' and 'Not Now Bernard.' Following on from this we will be reading books about Autumn and Winter. This will help us to develop our understanding of these topics and also help us with our language skills.

Maths

As mathematicians we will be learning a range of skills to provide us with firm foundations for our future mathematical learning. We will be learning to

- Recognise small quantities without having to count them.
- Sort and pair and group objects based upon their properties
- Recognising and representing numbers up to .



Physical Development

PE

This term we will be taking part in multi skills sessions. As part of these sessions, we will be learning to:

- Follow instructions
- Use equipment such as bean bags, balls and hoops to play games.
- Work as part of a team

Fine Motor Skills

We will be having daily fine motor activities in order to build our hand strength. This term we will focus on using tweezers, scissors and pipettes with precision. We also be developing our bead threading skills.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be developing a range of creative skills this terms including:

- Colour mixing
- Drawing self portraits and observational pictures of people we know
- Print using a range of natural objects such as leaves and conkers

Music



Our music unit this term is called 'Exploring Sounds.' We will be:

- Tuning into the different sounds in our environments.
- Experimenting with making sounds using our voices, bodies and instruments.
- Learning to sing a range of nursery rhymes including: Pat-a-Cake, This Old Man, Once I Caught a Fish Alive and Five Little Ducks.

Poetry Basket

We will be learning to recite and perform the following poems:

- Chop, Chop
- Pointy Hat
- Five Little Pumpkins
- Wise Old Owl
- Falling Apples
- A Basket of Apples



Homework



In EYFS, homework is largely focussed on developing the children's communication and language skills and reinforcing what they have been learning at school in simple and accessible ways. Each week the children will receive:

- A phonics reading book based on the children's secure phonics knowledge. All children will be taking home picture books to begin with. Once the children start blending independently, they will then move on to books with simple words.
- A 'reading for pleasure' book. This is a story you can share with them
- A worksheet with the week's phonics learning. This will support them to consolidate their learning at home.

Further to this we will be setting activities on the 'Learn with Parents' platform. We look forward to seeing your home learning photos on there!



Understanding the World

Past and Present

This term we will be starting our class timeline. We will be plotting key events on our timeline starting with when we were born.

We will then look at things that have happened since the children were born such as when they started school. Finally, we will be looking at things that happened in the recent past. Our 'All About Me' books will come in very handy for this topic.



• Understanding the World

People and Communities

We will be learning all about the different cultures and traditions present within the classroom. We will use our 'All About Me' books to create discussions about the similarities and differences between ourselves and those around us. Following on from this we will learn about special celebrations including Fireworks Night, Diwali and Christmas.



Understanding the World

The Natural World

We will be looking at how the weather is changing. We will go on regular walks and discuss the changes that we notice in the environment. We will be learning about hibernation and how animals prepare for the winter.