



Pre-School

Autumn Term 2 2020

Understanding the World

As explorers we will go on an autumn walk in the outdoor area and talk about the things that they have observed e.g. plants, animals. We will look at how the seasons change to develop an understanding of growth/decay. We will show interest in the lives of people who are familiar to us and remember and talk about significant events in their own experience. As technicians, we will show skills in making toys work by pressing parts or lifting flaps.

Personal, Social and Emotional

As friends, we will become interested in others' play and start to join in, we will learn to keep play going by what others are saying or doing. We will become independent and enjoy responsibility of carrying out small tasks. We will seek comfort from familiar adults when needed. We will become aware of our own feelings and begin to accept the needs of others and take turns.

Expressive Arts and Design

As performers we will create movement in response to music. As designers, we will use various construction materials and we will understand that we can use lines to enclose a space, and then begin to use these shapes to represent objects. As musicians, we will learn the Christmas songs and perform them to an audience.

Literacy

As writers we will distinguish between the different marks we make and give meaning to marks as we draw/paint. As readers, we will join in with stories and poems, one-to-one and in small groups. We will explore the book "We're going on a bear hunt" and join in with repeated refrains or phrases from this and other familiar stories as well as anticipate key events. We will sing our favourite nursery rhymes during Nursery rhyme week.

If you go down to the woods today...



Mathematics

As mathematicians we will count correctly and recite numbers in sequence up to 10. We will carefully count a set of objects and select a small number of objects from a group when asked and begin to make comparisons between quantities. We will use some language of quantities, such as 'more' and 'a lot'. We will notice simple shapes and patterns in pictures. Beginning to categorise objects according to properties such as shape or size. Shows an interest in shape and space by playing with shapes or making arrangements with objects.

RE

As theologians we will prepare for Christmas, by learning about the season of Advent and writing our own Advent prayers. We will learn about different cultural celebrations including Diwali and Christmas. We will celebrate Christmas by listening to the Nativity story and taking part in many activities based on this theme.

Communication and Language

As communicators we will understand more complex sentences, including 'who', 'what', 'where' questions. We will use language as a powerful means of widening contacts, sharing feelings, experiences and thoughts. We will be able to hold a conversation, jumping from topic to topic. We will learn new words very rapidly and be able to use them when communicating. We will listen to stories with increasing attention and recall and join in with repeated refrains. We will use talk to connect ideas, explain what is happening and anticipate what might happen next, recall and relive past experiences.

Physical

As athletes we will run skillfully and negotiate space, successfully adjusting speed or direction to avoid obstacles. We will use nursery play climbing equipment to climb confidently. We will squat with steadiness to rest or play with object on the ground, and rises to feet without using hands. We will use one-handed tools and equipment, e.g. makes snips in paper with child scissors. We will develop pencil control by holding a pencil between thumb and two fingers. We will begin to become independent in self-care, and start to help with putting on own clothing, e.g. puts on hat, unzips zipper on jacket.

Challenge

- Plan a bear hunt
- Learn how to put our coats on

Cognition

- To begin to understand the seasons e.g. Autumn/Winter

Communication

- Christmas play
- Christmas story
- Nursery rhyme Day

Creativity

- Explore the book "We're going on a bear hunt"
- Theme Day - Christmas
- Fireworks paintings
- Christmas songs

Community

- Links to other beliefs - Diwali, Christmas