

What is my child learning at school this half term?

Reception - Autumn 1



Literacy

We are learning to...

- Copy our name and letters that have been taught and write initial sounds
- Use pictures to tell stories and sequence familiar stories
- Independently look at a storybook, holding it the correct way and turning the pages
- Recognise the Phase 2 sounds that have been taught (s a t p l n m d g o c k c k e u r h b f l)
- Recognise the taught Phase 2 'Tricky Words' (e.g. the, I, is)
- Begin to blend sounds and to read words using the taught sounds.

Communication and Language

We are learning to....

- Listen carefully and understand why it is important.
- Be able to follow directions and routine instructions.
- Listen to rhymes, poems and songs.
- Speak in front of a small group and take turns when speaking.
- Learn new words and their meaning.



'Is everyone's family the same?'



As the children are settling in, we will also be reading 'The Colour Monster goes to school' to help children talk about and manage their feelings.

We will be taking part in lots of activities themed around who is in our family and comparing them with other families. We will be basing our learning around the books 'My Family' and 'So Much'.

In addition to this, we will plan activities which are child led and based on the children's interests, in order to create an engaging learning environment.

Expressive Arts and Design

We are learning to....

- Experiment with mixing colours
- Create simple representations of people and objects.
- Role play using given props and costumes.
- Sing and perform nursery rhymes.
- Experiment with different instruments and their sounds.

Personal, Social and Emotional

We are learning to....

- Be independent with toileting, washing hands and putting on coats.
- Gain confidence in talking to peers and asking adults for help.
- Recognise and talk about different emotions.
- Focus during whole class activities and follow instructions.

Understanding of the World

We are learning to....

- Use historical vocabulary
- Know about my own life story and my family history.
- Talk about my family and compare with my peers.
- Ask questions about the natural environment.
- Respect and care for the environment.

Home learning

Reading at home is so important so we ask for 20 minutes every day!

Maths

We are learning to....

- Recognise arrangements of up to 4 without counting.
- Compare and order numbers.
- Count carefully.
- Name and use shapes.
- Recognise and continue patterns.

Physical Development

We are learning to...

- Move safely in a space
- Develop control when using equipment
- Work cooperatively with a partner
- Draw different shapes, marks and letters
- Begin to use the tripod grip
- Complete activities such as cutting threading and using tweezers to move objects
- Hold a fork and spoon correctly