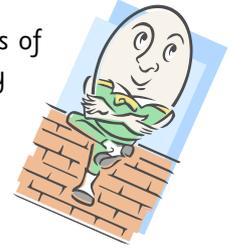


AUTUMN TERM 1 – CURRICULUM FOUNDATION

Autumn 1- 'Rhyme Time'

A special welcome to all parents of children in Ladybirds and Bumblebees at the start of your child's first year at school.

Every half term we will focus on a different topic starting with 'Rhyme Time'. This will involve lots of cross curricular activities based around familiar nursery rhymes e.g. Incy Wincy Spider, Humpty Dumpty, Twinkle, Twinkle, Baa Baa Black Sheep, Little Miss Muffet and Hickory Dickory Dock.



Whilst the children are part time we will be working with them, making observations and assessments in order to provide appropriate and exciting activities.

Personal, social and emotional development

During the first few weeks our main aim is for the children to be happy in school and start to build up relationships with the staff and their peers. During this settling in time the children will be finding out about being a Ladybird or Bumblebees, their new surroundings, class rules and routines and the Golden Rules.

Language, Communication, and Literacy

The children will be listening to stories and being encouraged to join in with favourite nursery rhymes. We will be talking about words that rhyme and sounds at the beginning of words.

Once we have assessed the children they will work on writing their names using the correct letter formation.

Mathematical development

The children will be involved in lots of fun, practical maths activities. During this time we will find out where each child is in their mathematical understanding.



Understanding the World

The children will be introduced to Barnaby our travelling Bear who will be coming home with each child during the year. The children will have experience of using the computers in the unit, and have experience of using the interactive white boards. We will talk about Autumn and the changes that take place.

The children will investigate our collection of shells and share their experiences about holidays at the seaside. Towards the end of this half term, we hope to introduce the children to Welly Walks (Outdoor Learning), ICT and Music.

Physical development

The children will have access to the trim trail, bikes and other physical activities in our outside areas. Whilst they are part time they will join in circle games and be introduced to games like 'Statues' and 'Follow my leader' to help the children learn how to respond to instructions. Once they are full time the children will be getting changed for PE sessions each week. During these sessions the children will focus on different ways of travelling to develop their co-ordination, control and spatial awareness.

PE will take place on Tuesday for Ladybirds and Wednesday for Bumblebees, every Thursday Ladybirds and Bumblebees will alternate between PE and Outdoor Learning.

Expressive Arts & Design

The children will enjoy working with different media and materials both self-initiated and planned activities based around our topics. They will mix Autumn colours.

The children will be singing lots of nursery and number rhymes and clapping simple repeated rhythms.

There will be opportunities to play in the role play area.

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