

Communication and language

Prime Areas of Learning

We will spend lots of time talking with each other, sharing our news, feelings and talking about the activities we like best. We will learn how to be a good talker and a good listener.

As part of our topic we will think about our senses and go around our class and school discovering what we can see, hear, smell, touch and taste. We will spend time with our friends in groups and part of a class talking about what we have discovered.

We will sing nursery rhymes and songs and think about what makes words rhyme.

We will have the opportunity to take on different characters in the role play area

We will use Trickbox to help us think about and communicate to others how we are feeling and acting.



Physical development

We will dance with Mrs Richards on a Wednesday. Each Friday morning we will be involved with physical activity. Some weeks we will go out to the forest school and some weeks we will do gymnastics in the hall.

We will learn how to get ourselves changed, including doing up our own shoes and pulling on our socks and tights, folding our clothes and doing up our coats.

We will concentrate on following instructions which will ensure we are safe when doing p.e. we will also be taught to follow our own ideas for different routines.

We will also be developing our skills when using a range of small tools such as scissors, pencils, printing and cutting tools.



Personal social and emotional development.

We will begin to develop our ability to talk with confidence about our own needs, views interests and opinions.

We will be thinking about new beginnings and considering how each of us feels about starting a new school. We will be listening to stories about other children starting new things and considering their feelings. We will learn that we don't all have to feel the same way and that we need to respect each other, even if our opinions differ from our friends.

We will learn to listen to each other during circle time and story time. We will listen to lots of stories about Elmer the elephant, who was not like all of his friends. He was special just like we are! We will learn some of the stories that Jesus told, with Mrs Richards each Wednesday.



Literacy

We will be listening to a range of stories and learning how authors lay out their stories. We will try to predict what the story may be about by using the front cover, title page and blurb.

We will start to use the phonic sounds, write them correctly and hear sounds in words. We will soon be able to use them to read and write words and simple sentences.

We will practice our writing skills in the doctors role play area by writing, prescriptions, notes, taking messages and writing letters.

We will learn to write our name and form the letters we learn correctly. We will soon be able to write simple words.



Mathematics

We will be concentrating on learning to recognise our numbers to 20 this term. What numbers can you see in your house, along the street and maybe even in Tesco?

We will count out groups of objects, learning to be accurate each and every time. We will label our groups with numerals and learn how to order the numbers.

We will also learn about shapes, patterns and measuring, especially when thinking about Elmer the Patchwork elephant.



Me and My World

Autumn Reception class

Specific areas of learning

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be exploring lots of different ways of making marks, using paint, pastels, collage and modelling materials.

We will be painting self portraits, thinking about how we look in our school uniform and also have a go mixing the correct colour for our hair and eyes.

We will make some models, especially of our body and skeleton.

There will be lots of different creative activities on offer each day, including paint, collage, playdough sand and also the musical instruments.



Understanding the World

We will have time each day to reflect on what we have done or are hoping to do. We may not always want to do the same as our friends, but we will learn that it is o.k. to have different ideas.

We will consider the ways that our bodies change and grow as we get older. We will look at a book called, Once there were giants to help us explore these ideas.

We will use our senses to explore the world around us especially as the season changes from Summer to Autumn.

Autumn is special for lots of different religions. We will be learning about a range of festivals and celebrations, including harvest, bonfire night and other world celebrations including Divali.

