

Autumn Term 1 Curriculum Overview for Early Years Foundation Stage- Let's Explore

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- This topic is designed to help the children explore their new environment to enable them to feel settled and secure in their new surroundings.
- Learning to share and taking turns through play
- Learning new routines and taking care of their classroom
- Making relationships with adults and children
- We will explore emotions and use our faces to share our feelings.

Communication & Language

- Each week, we will develop 'Drawing Club'. Drawing Club is inspired each week by a book or visual media. Each week the children will learn up to 10 words which we will use in provision to support their language development. Drawing Club also then provides opportunities to discuss stories and characters etc.
- Whilst exploring the school environment, the children will be encouraged to communicate with different adults who work in school.

Physical Development

- We will start to develop our gross motor skills through Duster Disco!
- When the children are settled we will start PE sessions on a Tuesday and a Thursday. We will use a scheme called the Power of PE.
- Within our continuous provision, we will have lots of opportunities to develop our fine motor skills using scissors, playdoh, crayons etc.
- During the Autumn term, we will start 'Balanceability' which is a scheme that develops balance so that we can use the balance bikes safely.

Literacy

- We will start learning our Phase 2 sounds. Every day we will have a whole class session to learn a new sound, and on a Friday we will practice them all.
- We will be starting Drawing Club. This will enable us to develop our language and writing skills.

Mathematics

- We will be focusing upon subitising this term.
- We will look at patterns and think about what we can see.
- We will focus upon numbers up to 5 and will be fully understanding what each number represents.
- We will use number songs and rhymes to develop our counting skills.

Understand the World

- We will be focussing upon our school community. We will start to learn about the other adults in our school.
- We will continue to learn more about the children. Inviting them to talk about their lives, families and things they like to do outside of school.
- We will make basic maps of our school and the surrounding area.

Expressive Arts & Design

- Creating pictures of ourselves and others
- Experimenting with a range of materials
- Role playing and imagining
- Singing songs and exploring sounds of musical instruments.

