



AUTUMN SECOND HALF TERM - CURRICULUM MAP

Communication and Language

We will develop children's ability to talk to their peers and share their thoughts, ideas and opinions. We will encourage them to ask questions of each other and listen attentively in a range of situations. Through a show and tell project with our class toys, the children will have the opportunity to talk in front of the class.

Physical Development

We will work on our dance and gymnastics skills through celebrations such as Fireworks night and Christmas and experiment with different ways of moving. Through different ways of mark making, we will begin to use anticlockwise movements and retrace vertical lines that are essential for correct letter formation.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will use Tapestry observations from home to allow the children to share their achievements and interests. We will talk about what we are good at and begin to understand that other children have different interests to our own.

Literacy

We will encourage story telling through Helicopter stories. We will also encourage the children to give meaning to their marks by using The Message Centre to write their own secret messages using symbols. We will consolidate our knowledge of phase 2 Letters and Sounds and learn 'tricky' words that we need to recognise on sight.

Mathematics

We will use Number Blocks to support our learning of numbers to 10 and beyond. We will explore the different ways that numbers can be arranged and ordered. Through our daily routines, we will model the language used to compare weight and capacity.

Understanding the World

We will spend time sharing stories related to celebrations and popular themes, particularly Christmas. This focus will enable us to use drama and role play to act out our Nativity story and learn simple songs and actions to perform in front of an audience.

Expressive Arts and Design

During our school Arts Week, we will explore drawing in different ways. Using a variety of tools and media we will have a go at cave drawing, pirate writing, spy symbols and large scale marks with giant pencils! We will develop our deconstructed role play to encourage the children to be imaginative and set up their own play scenes using props.

Enrichment and Home School Learning

We will use our school Enrichment room to prepare healthy snacks and discuss why it is important to have a healthy lifestyle. We will begin to send home Little Tiger and Red Robin every weekend so the children can take photos with them and share these with the class. Leading up to Christmas, we will create decorations, cards and calendars to send home.

Characteristics of Effective Learning

We will focus on the aspect of 'Playing and Exploring' by encouraging the children to try new things and 'have a go'. We will introduce activities that promote taking risks and seeking out a challenge in their play.