

Foundation Stage 2 Newsletter Autumn Term 1 2023

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be thinking about self-confidence, talking about what we enjoy, what we are good at and what we need help with.

Physical Development

Children will continue to develop both their fine and gross motor skills using the inside and outside learning environments.

We will have a large focus on fine motor skills and pencil control, especially accurate letter formation. This can be supported at home with lots of activities like playdough, building, cutting, threading and colouring activities.

Communication and Language

We will continue to develop our speaking and listening skills in our daily circle time. We will encourage the children to take part in class discussions to share their thoughts.

We will be following the children's interests. The children will take the lead and their thoughts and ideas included. the learning

Literacy

We have started to learn new sounds and practise letter formation in order to read and write simple words. We will be focussing on traditional tales and reading a wide range of books in our storytelling sessions

Maths

This half term we will be concentrating on the numbers 1-5, shapes, one more and one less. We will also be focussing on subitising where children recognise a number of objects without having to count them. Playing games involving dice can really help your child.

Understanding of the World

The children will have plenty of hands on practical opportunities to investigate and explore the natural world.

Expressive Arts & Design

Children will have the opportunity to use their imaginations, sing songs, dance and create beautiful masterpieces.

Autumn 1 home learning Ideas

1. Bring in photos of you and your friends/family enjoying different celebrations to share with the class.
2. Go on an autumn walk collecting autumn treasures such as interesting leaves to share with the class.
3. Keep a weather chart for a week and bring it in.
4. As the weather gets colder can you draw someone dressed for a cold day?

A note to families

In reception we really value the learning possibilities from learning outdoors. We go outside everyday so please ensure your child has a suitable warm, waterproof coat in school each day and if possible a pair of named wellies. Children need their book bag and a water bottle every day. Please do not send juice or squash. No P.E. kits are needed yet. Thank you.

If you have any queries or questions at all, please feel free to let us know at drop off or pick up and we can arrange a time to discuss this. Working together we can provide your children with the best possible learning opportunities. Thank you for your continued support,

The Foundation Stage 2 Team.

