

Autumn One in Reception

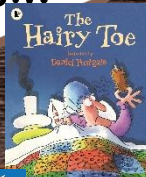
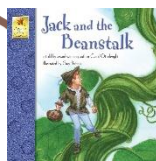


Communication and Language

This term we will be encouraging the children to listen carefully to stories and to join in with whole class and group activities.

We will encourage the children to use new words, linked to our books and our class topic, and to talk about what these words mean. We will also start to introduce simple instructions to the children e.g. "Time to line up" and teach the children to listen carefully and understand why listening is important.

We are reading...



Homework

Once our phonics sessions are established, we will start to send home a book for you to read with your child. Please keep checking your child's book bag. We ask that you read at least 3 times a week, building up to 5 times a week over the year.

Phonics

We will soon be starting to learn about letter sounds in our phonics sessions. This term we will be focusing on the sounds:
s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, k, ck, e, u, r,
ss, h, b, ff, ll.

For more information, please see
[Reading: Age 4-5 \(Reception\) - Oxford Owl for Home](#)

Physical Dev.

In PE lessons this term our focus will be on moving and stopping safely. We will develop our control when using equipment such as balls and balancing apparatus. We will encourage the children to take turns and work co-operatively with a partner. In the classroom staff will encourage children to use a tripod grip when holding a pencil, start to write their name and use scissors to cut.

PSED

During Personal, Social and Emotional Development sessions we will be thinking about 'Being Me in My World'. We will learn that hands can be used kindly and unkindly and how sadness and happiness can be expressed. We will also understand that being kind is good.

We will start to think about what makes each of us special and we will talk about our similarities and differences with others.



Maths

In Maths this term the children will be taking part in lots of practical activities to learn to subitise (say how many without counting) up to 3 objects. We will also be exploring how numbers are made of ones (e.g. there are 3 ones in 3) and using the concept of 'more than' and 'fewer than' to compare sets of objects.

Literacy

This term we will be encouraging the children to join in with nursery rhymes and songs and repeated phrases in stories e.g. 'Fee Fi, Fo, Fum....'

We will be exploring our key texts (see above) and encouraging the children to talk about their own ideas and the characters and events in the stories. We will also learn new words associated with each of the stories.

Understanding the World - RE

In religious education we will be thinking about what makes other people special to themselves and others.

Forest School

Don't forget Forest School takes place every Tuesday afternoon – in all weathers. Please provide wellies and a waterproof coat for you child. We have waterproof trousers, but feel free to provide your own if you wish!

Creative Development

In Art sessions we will be focusing on 'Marvellous Marks'. We will explore texture and the marks we can make with felt-tips, chalk and pencils. We will also be creating self-portraits and observational drawings.

In Music and Movement sessions we will be making up new words and actions to represent emotions. We will also be making sounds with our voices and musical instruments to create different feelings and moods and trying to stick to a beat.

Understanding the World - Topic

This term our learning question is 'What Makes Me Special?' We will be looking at photos of babies and talking about how we have grown and changed. We will be talking about the members of our family, who they are, what we like to do with them and noticing that all families are different. We will also be learning how life has changed for family members over time.