

Autumn Term 2023

AREAS OF LEARNING FOR THE FOUNDATION STAGE

Nursery and Reception

Weekly themes

Foundation Stage planning is carried out on a weekly basis with a variety of topics being selected each term and linked to books. We plan through a mixture of following children's interests and ensuring a broad curriculum content. For this reason, some topics may be removed or swapped. For the Autumn Term 2023, Nursery and Reception will focus on:

Autumn Term	
Summer	
Week 1	Inset day
Week 2	All About Me – My body
Week 3	All About Me – My Senses - Baseline assessment
Week 4	All About Me – My Family
Week 5	People Who Help Us – Rescue Services
Week 6	People Who Help Us -
Week 7	Harvest – The Little Red Hen
Week 8	Harvest – The Enormous Turnip
Half Term	
Week 9	Bonfire Night - Fire work Safety
Week 10	Diwali – Rama and Sita
Week 11	Autumn - Hibernation
Week 12	Autumn – Nocturnal and Diurnal animals
Week 13	Nativity – Christian story of Jesus
Week 14	Christmas – Celebrations Around the World
Week 15	Christmas – Santa's Grotto and crafts

Teaching and learning will be determined by both staff and children but linked to these topics.

Activities are both child led and adult led in order to cover all of the seven areas of learning. Each half term both Nursery and Reception parents are able to view the medium term plans outlining the activities that we plan to deliver.

A Guide to Foundation Planning

We use the 'Development Matters' document along with our own curriculum objectives and 'White Rose Maths' documents and follow the 'Twinkl Phonics scheme' to aid our planning. These documents outline the key skills and knowledge that the children should achieve during certain age ranges, e.g. birth to three-year olds, three to four year olds, Reception and the Early Learning Goals. We plan a range of practical and play based activities to ensure that children have been given a range of opportunities to develop these skills and demonstrate their learning.

The seven areas of learning through which the children learn have been broken down into sixteen assessment scales. These seven areas are outlined within the table below:-

Prime Areas of Learning
Personal, Social and Emotional Development PSED
Physical Development PD
Communication and Language C&L
Specific Areas of Learning
Literacy LIT
Mathematics MAT
Understanding the World UTW
Expressive Arts and Design EAD

*If you require additional information relating to our school curriculum, please ask at the school office or the Class teacher.