

EYFS- Areas of development and learning

Personal, social and emotional development:

Our focus this half term is to settle your child into school, build their confidence and develop both new and existing relationships with their peers and adults.

Communication and Language:

The children will be discussing all sorts of animals this half-term from minibeasts to whales. This half-term we have a home role play area to encourage the children to engage in conversations which are familiar to them.

Physical development:

P.E. lessons will be on Monday. During these sessions we will be developing your child's basic movement and skills around the theme of animals, hop like a grasshopper, creep like a spider, run like a tiger etc.

We will also be participating in daily runs in the afternoon during which the children are encouraged to run, march or quickly walk for 10 minutes.

This term we have a focus upon our body and how we can look after it and stay healthy.

In addition we will be having daily Dough Disco sessions where the children will dance and develop fine motor skills using play-dough and topic themed songs.

Autumn 2018 Animals



Our theme of animals will feed into our Science, Literacy, Maths, Dough Disco and Creative lessons throughout the topic. I will introduce new sections, such as farm animals, on Tapestry as we approach them.

Some of your children's experiences will be posted on our online learning journey Tapestry and I welcome your comments and / or entries from home. If you are having trouble accessing Tapestry please come and talk to me at the end of the school day.

Trips

This term Rainbow Class will be visiting the local apple orchard to participate in the harvesting of the apples.

VALUES for this term, explored through assemblies and circle time and linked to British Values.

Friendship, Patience & Peace

Harvest Festival

Please come and join us at Lea Church to celebrate Harvest. Rainbow Class will be making the Harvest Loaf with Mrs Calderbank for the service.

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Literacy:

We will start each day with some writing with our initial focus will be the children's names and moving on to simple words. We will have daily phonics lessons introducing letters' shapes and sounds.

Children will be listening to stories daily and will participate in the re-telling of stories and creating our own class stories.

Mathematics:

Our focus in maths this half-term will be counting and writing numbers to 10. We will also focus upon developing their mathematical language related to time and position.

Some maths lesson will be spent cooking, giving the children the opportunity to apply their measuring and counting skills.

Understanding the world:

This term the children will be participating in outdoor learning on a Thursday afternoon. During these sessions they will become familiar with the school environment and get mucky. In our R.E. lessons we will be thinking about what makes us special and where do we belong? We will also explore our different senses through basic scientific experiments.

Expressive arts and design:

On Friday afternoon we will have a dedicated art and craft session however the children will have regular access to various materials and mark making equipment to create whatever master pieces they choose.