



Reception Class Autumn One This is Me!

Communication and Language

This half term we will be settling in to new routines and making new friends. All children are encouraged to ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. The children will share their experiences of events and discuss what is important to them. They will be supported to listen to each other carefully.

Literacy

In literacy we will use the Talk for Writing method and learn the story 'The Little Red Hen' as a class, later innovating the story using the same story language but changing the characters.

We will consider the changing seasons and visit the woods, writing a class recount of the event.

Children will develop their phonic knowledge learning to recognise and write the letters of the alphabet and begin their journey

Key Vocabulary

Story language: Once upon a time, Early one morning, The end.

Recount: First, Next, After That

Mathematics

In maths we will learn to sort and categorise interesting natural objects in different ways. We will look at pattern and shapes, making repeating patterns and correcting errors.

In number we will count actions and sounds. We will explore numbers 1-6, learning to subitise, compare amounts and consider the composition of these numbers.

Key Vocabulary

pattern, categories, repeat, subitise, compare

Physical Development

In PE we will work on improving core strength, control, fundamental motor skills, balance, coordination and fitness by participating in activities that improve static seated balance, static standing balance and dynamic balance.

We will discuss the simple effects of exercise and the importance of healthy foods and the importance for good health of physical exercise and healthy eating.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

All children are encouraged to see themselves as a valuable individual; we will talk about what makes them special and discuss their talents and interest during carpet time. This term's focus is to support the children to build constructive and respectful relationships with their peers and adults working alongside them. Children are encouraged to express their feelings and consider the feelings of others. We will spend time enabling this behaviour in discussion during circle time, using books such as 'It's Ok to be Different,' 'Incredible You', 'Me and Colour' and 'The Big Book of Families.'

Understanding the World

This half term we will discuss our families and people who are important to us. We will create pictures of the important people in our lives and discuss them during circle time. Children will be encouraged to recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. This term the focus will be how Diwali is celebrated and we will make rangoli patterns and diya lamps using clay.

We will spend lots of time outside looking after the plants in our garden and discussing the changes in the season, considering how this affects nature around us.

Expressive Arts and Design

In art the children will continue to build on the skills developed so far. They will make observational self-portraits, looking carefully at skin colour, hair colour and eye colour, using powder paint to create these colours. We will listen to music and create painting inspired by Rothko to comment on and express our feelings and emotion, using colour to show this.