EYFS
Curriculum Newsletter
Term 1- Autumn 2

Key priorities
We will continue to build on the clear classroom routines and expectations already established, supporting children to develop their confidence and independence. Our focus will also be on strengthening fine and gross motor skills, while gradually extending learning sessions at a pace that is developmentally appropriate for each child

Communication, Language and Literacy (including Talk for Writing)
This term our focus story is 'The Ginger Bread Man', they will explore the story verbally and physically through planned activities to hook them into a love of reading and writing.

Reading
We continue a home reading book to support their love of reading, Monday is the day to exchange books.



Phonics
Each child is assessed weekly and termly by the phonics lead, at the moment we are focused on set 1, orally blending sounds and some children are transitioning onto creating simple CVC words. Please continue at home with your phonics QR codes.



Physical Development

Gross Motor Skills
In PE, children will be developing their gross motor skills through Ball skills. They will be learning how to move and control a ball in different ways.

Fine Motor Skills
Children will develop their fine motor skills by using a range of tools that encourage control and precision from writing equipment, scissors, craft tools to playdough.



PE Days
PE lessons are on Monday. Please ensure your child wears comfortable clothing every day that allows them to move freely, as we use our fine and gross motor skills throughout each day.

Maths
We will be exploring 2D shapes, learning to recognise, describe and compare different shapes. Children will also focus on the numbers 4 and 5, learning to subitise, represent and explore one more and one less. In addition they will develop their awareness of time through daily routines and discussions about their daily events.

Please see Tapestry for our KIRF's to support at home.





Personal, Social and Emotional Development
This term in PSHE, we will be focusing on building positive relationships and valuing difference. The children will explore how families and homes can be both the same and different, celebrating what makes each of us unique.
We will also focus on what it means to be a good friend, helping children learn to express their own feelings while being kind and thoughtful toward the feelings of others.

Understanding the World
This term, children will learn about Diwali, bonfire night and Christmas, exploring how people celebrate special occasions and beliefs.
They will also use simple maps, investigate seasonal changes and explore the natural world through outdoor experiences and observations.



This term we will experience our first Nativity, in the form of singing, acting, we cannot wait to share it with you. Tickets will be released for early December.

Expressive Arts and Design
Many opportunities will be provided for creativity and self-expression. Developing story lines during play, explore, use and refine artist effects, ideas and feelings. Explore, engage and make music, including a focus on nursery rhymes, including *Incy wincy spider, Twinkle Twinkle, 5 little ducks, 5 little monkeys, Miss Polly had a dolly.*



This term we will be singing in our Nativity!
We are looking forward to sharing it with you.