



Reception Topic Map

What we are learning in school

Communication and Language

- Taking turns when talking.
- Listening to others ideas.
- Story time & telling nursery rhymes.
- Listening to and recognising sounds around us.
- Making different sounds with different body parts and instruments.
- Circle times: how to be a good friend, what is special about me? Taking turns & sharing toys.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Taking turns & sharing toys.
- Getting dressed and undressed without help.
- Sharing Home Learning Activity Bag - What is special about me?
- Circle time: How to be a good friend.
- Exploring our new school.
- Learning about our Respectful Responsibilities in school.



Physical Development

- 5 a day: working on large body movements to music.
- Introduce the Gorilla, Meerkat, Lizard and Stone Lion poses to build strength for writing.
- Moving in different ways in a space, using climbing equipment.
- Fine motor skills: tracing, cutting and sticking.
- Using play-doh to create models.
- Looking after ourselves e.g. washing hands, eating healthy snacks.

Autumn 1 All About Me



Literacy

- Retelling nursery rhymes.
- Story time – sharing different picture books.
- Recognising and writing our name.
- Ordering pictures from stories.
- Listening to story CDs.
- Drawing pictures of nursery rhymes.
- Rhyming games and books.
- Listening activities.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Drawing and painting a self-portrait.
- Drawing pictures of our families.
- Using instruments to create different sounds & patterns.
- Imaginative play: creating stories.
- Cutting and sticking.
- Singing songs & nursery rhymes.

Understanding the World

- Listening to and identifying sounds in the environment.
- Building using construction equipment & junk modelling.
- Welly walks – looking at nature and signs of Autumn.
- Talking about our families.
- Exploring the water and sand tray.

Mathematics

- Recognising numbers 0-10
- Counting objects up to 5 and beyond.
- Counting in 1s to 20.
- Recognising and creating patterns.
- Sorting objects into groups.
- Exploring with and recognising 2 dimensional shapes.
- Using positional language e.g. behind, in front, next to, on top, below etc.

Things you could do at home...

Practise counting forwards and backwards to 20.

Practise writing your name.

Practise new sounds we have been learning.

Sing nursery rhymes.

Share books regularly.

Enjoy family time together.

Practise dressing yourself in the morning.

Practise tying your shoelaces.

Practise using a knife and fork correctly.

