

Communication and language

The children will be encouraged to ask questions as they listen to stories and one another. This will enable them to find out more and to extend their knowledge.

In different situations, the children will be encouraged to, speak in sentences as well as use adjectives and new words they have learned.

They will link ideas together and use problem solving vocabulary and phrases in their explanations.

Physical development

Through the story 'Jack and the beanstalk', we will continue to focus on the fundamental skills of running, jumping, hopping, catching and throwing. The children are all now great at getting themselves changed for PE!

The children will continue to develop their pencil grip and begin to learn how to form some letters including those in their names.

We will also enjoy learning how to use a range of tools safely and competently including needles to sew with and scissors to cut shapes.

Personal, social and emotional development

We will be exploring friendship including what makes a good friend and how they behave.

Being able to express how you are feeling and know how to calm down when you are cross or upset are very important skills that we will also be exploring together.

There will also be a focus within our key person groups on developing the children's ability to solve problems for themselves.

Reception
Autumn 2
Once Upon a Time
We all love a good story!



Literacy

As the children listen to stories, including 'Going on a bear hunt' and 'The Gingerbread Man', they will be learning about how books are structured, settings and characters.

There will be daily phonics lessons. The focus this term is Phase 2 of Letters and Sounds. In each lesson, we will use the new phonemes and graphemes we have learnt to read and spell words.

There will be lots of writing opportunities when the children will be encouraged to apply their new phonics skills. As they mark make they will begin to represent the sounds they can hear and have learnt. Lists and labels are good for this.

Mathematics

We will be learning to rote count to and from 10 beginning from different numbers. To develop our understanding of number order we will be finding the number that is one more and one less as well as what comes in between.

We will be developing our counting, recording, addition and subtraction skills.

We will also be learning about shapes, money, the days of the week and positional language.

Understanding the world

This term we will be exploring change over time. We will begin by comparing the children now with when they were babies.

The children will be learning about the properties of different materials. There will be many new words to learn!

We will be using maps and photographs to find out about the area that the children live in. We will be going for a local walk too.

In RE the children will be learning about special times in the Christian, Hindu and Muslim faiths.

Expressive arts and design

The children will be developing their sewing skills when they make their Christmas tree decoration. A lovely keepsake.

We will be learning new songs in music as well as exploring pitch and developing our sense of rhythm. We love music!

We have Greenland's hairdressers in the role-play area this term that I will enjoy as much as the children!