

Key learning in Creative Development this term

- Exploring colours
- Singing songs
- Using paints and clay
- Dancing
- Pretend play
- Dressing up
- Listening to and responding to music

As parents and carers, you can help by

- Encouraging your child to draw, paint

Key learning in Personal and Social Development this term

- Understanding the routines
- Staying safe
- Sharing and being kind to others
- Looking after our things
- Making friends
- Developing confidence and independence

As parents and carers you can help by

- Encouraging your child to meet with their friends out of school

Top tips for parents and carers this term!

- Be positive about school
- Encourage your child to talk about their day
- Read regularly with your child
- Try some practical Maths with your child

Please ensure your child has a PE kit of white t-shirt, jogging trousers, shorts and trainers plimsolls

You can also contact your child's key worker by e-mail:

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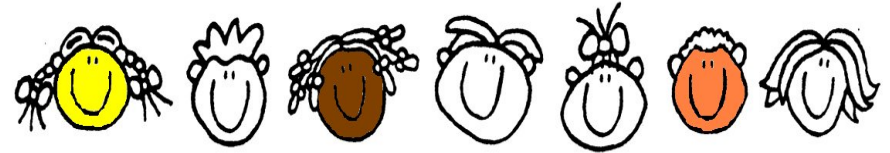
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Curricular Update for the Autumn Term

Main topic for the Autumn Term 2011:

Autumn and Ourselves

To be explored through the 6 areas of the Foundation Stage curriculum

Class Name: Keller and Goldsworthy

The adults your child will work with: Samantha Matthew, Holly Eden, Jackie Dodds, Jane Carrington and Elena Moore

Please remember that to receive our text message service we need your most up to date mobile number

Key learning in Language and Literacy Development this term

- Identifying initial, middle and final sounds in words
- Listen to rhymes and rhyming stories
- Using talk to express, explain, describe
- Using questions to find out more about the topic
- Link sounds, letter shapes and writing
- Vocabulary related to 'Ourselves' and 'Autumn'

As parents and carers, you can help by

- Visiting the library and reading books about Autumn and topics that interest them
- Encouraging your child to write their name (If they can do this then also their surname)
- Read regularly with your child and talk about beginning, middle and end of stories
- Write shopping lists and phone numbers together

Your child should regularly

- Try writing with you
- Talk about their achievements

Key learning in Maths Development this term

- Number songs
- Using and applying words when counting, sorting or ordering
- Using and applying knowledge of number to solve practical addition and subtraction problems
- Explore and create patterns
- Learning about basic shapes

As parents and carers, you can help by

- Allowing your child to help with baking and making food to eat
- Making patterns with different objects or shapes
- Encourage them to recognise shapes and numbers in the environment

Your child should regularly

- Count and work things out with encouragement
- Check how tall they are
- Make comparisons e.g. more/less, bigger/smaller

Key learning in Physical Development this term

- Respond by moving to music imaginatively
- Develop handwriting skills
- Use scissors successfully
- Develop handwriting skills. E.g. Pencil grip
- Healthy eating and managing snacks

As parents and carers, you can help by

- Encouraging regular handwriting practise
- Have paint, glue, scissors and pens for your child to use independently

Your child should regularly

- Draw and 'write'
- Cut out and stick
- Climb and run around
- Try new skills

Key learning in Knowledge and Understanding Development this term

- Finding out about seasonal festivals and celebrations around the world. E.g. Rosh Hashana, Diwali, Hanukah, Christmas
- Finding out whether everyone in the world celebrates things in the same way
- Finding out about changes that happen in Autumn
- Developing their making skills
- Constructing models with a range of materials

As parents and carers, you can help by

- Going on a conker hunt
- Celebrating your child's efforts at making things

Your child should regularly

- Play with the models made at school
- Be encouraged to ask questions and think