# Communication and language

The children will be encouraged to join in Circle Times as they talk about experiences and items that are of

We will develop the children's listening skills as they listen to stories from adults and their peers and are encouraged to respond appropriately. We will help the children to retell traditional tales and encourage them to begin to change and adapt them using their imaginations and developing language. Each week the children will learn a new rhyme.

#### Literacy

We will be focusing on Phase 1 Phonics by encouraging children to listen to, make and talk about sounds, both in the environment and using instruments.

We will read a range of stories including traditional fairy tales.

We will learn new weekly rhymes.

We will give the children a range of opportunities to develop their emergent writing skills. We will be encouraging them to ascribe meaning to their marks.

Expressive Art and Design The children will be given many opportunities to paint and create objects and artwork of meaning to them using a variety of materials both indoors and outdoors. They will be encouraged to think about themselves before creating natural

, During the first half term we will focus on a different colour each week and base our arts and craft around this colour. The children will be encouraged to explore sound using instruments and objects in their environment. They will learn a range of Harvest, and Christmas themed songs

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Our topic this term is 'Traditional Tales and Rhymes', 'Shapes and colours' and 'Celebrations'

The children's interests will continually be used to inform the direction which our topic takes.

### **Physical Development**

The children will have access to a range of small equipment to develop their fine motor skills. They will be encouraged to thread, build, use pegs and boards and participate in daily dough disco, squiggle while you wiggle and flipper flappers. To develop the children's gross motor skills they will use bikes outside to encourage them to pedal. They will be given opportunities to climb, run, jump and balance. We will consider how we can keep healthy- eating healthy foods, good oral hygiene, exercise.

# Understanding the World

The children will be encouraged to explore the outdoor environment and talk about the changes they see as the seasons change from summer to autumn and winter. They will be given opportunities to explore growth, light, dark and shadows.

The children will think about people and events that are important to them and their cultures as we explore different festivals and celebrations.

### How you can help

Please regularly look at your child's learning journey on Tapestry, encouraging them to talk about what they have been busy doing at Nursery. Please also upload photos of things they have been doing at home for them to share at Nursery.

Thank you

## **Mathematics**

The children will be encouraged to count numbers to 10 in sequence. We will help them to count using one-to-one correspondence and will begin to help them become familiar with numerals. As we think about birthdays we will look at numbers of personal significance to the children. We will explore 2D shapes in our environment and will transfer our knowledge into our own work. We will think about size and weight as we follow recipes to create Harvest, Christmas and other

#### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will develop their confidence within Nursery and their friendships with other children. They will be encouraged to share and take turns in their play. They will begin to develop an awareness of things that are important to them and other people as they think about 'Celebrations'.

The children will develop their independence in eating, drinking, dressing and toileting.