



CLASS LK- RECEPTION

We hope that you have all enjoyed a lovely summer break and that your child feels ready to start school and learn lots of new skills.

Our topic for this half term will be: **'IF YOU GO DOWN IN THE WOODS TODAY'**
In addition, the children will continue their learning independently through play activities and we may adapt topics to cater for children's interests and learning needs.

Communication/ Language

We will be sharing our holiday news within key worker groups, as well as playing lots of speaking and listening games. We will encourage the children to develop their vocabulary and speak in full sentences.

Mathematics

In Maths we will study a number every week and we will focus on numbers up to 5. We will practise recognition of the numeral, count objects, work on subitising (quick recognition of that amount) in different arrangements, and representations e.g. fingers, tallies, dots, objects on 5 frames, numicon. We will play lots of games such as snap, pairs, dominoes, dice games, counting and matching,

The World

We will learn about the season autumn in our outdoor forest school area. We will also learn about different types of bears. In addition, we will learn about British nocturnal animals such as owls and hedgehogs.

PSED

We will introduce our Christian core values: kindness, respect, perseverance and encourage children to develop these skills. We will also work on developing independence with dressing, toileting and hygiene skills. Our Jigsaw topic is 'Being Me in My World' and we will learn about our own and others' feelings, sharing and caring and being responsible.

Literacy

We will share lots of stories and non-fiction books. Our focus stories this half term will be:
* **We're Going on a Bear Hunt**- we will act out the story using drama, movement & voice sounds.
* **Whatever Next**- we will use props to act out the story. We will also draw and write a plan of what we would take on a picnic to the moon.
* **Owl Babies**- we will develop an understanding of events in the story. We will talk about the characters' feelings, then draw and write about the story.

Read, Write, Inc.

We are excited to announce Read, Write Inc. as the new programme we will use to teach Phonics across our school. We will send more information about the programme and how to support your child at home as they begin their journey in becoming fantastic readers and writers!

R.E.

We will learn and use the school prayers. We will also learn about the Christian Harvest festival.

Physical development

The children will develop gross motor skills through spatial awareness games in P.E. They will develop fine motor skills through dough disco and pencil control activities. We will send P.E. kits home for a wash at half term.

Expressive Arts

We will learn and sing bear rhymes and autumn songs. The children will create autumnal pictures using: paint, wax crayon rubbings, or create transient art using leaves, cones and twigs.

Thank you!

Any voluntary contributions in our money box would be greatly appreciated. This money is used to buy resources such as playdough or baking ingredients. Thank you in advance!

Important messages

- Please make sure you write your child's name in all clothing items including shoes.
- If you need any help with Tapestry or have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to ask.