



Key objectives we will develop over the next few weeks include teaching children to:

- Understand how to listen and why listening is important.
- Use new vocabulary throughout the day.
- See themselves as a valuable individual.
- Express their feelings and consider the feelings of others.
- Build constructive and respectful relationships.
- Develop overall body strength, coordination and balance.
- Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently e.g. scissors/pencils.
- Read individual letters by saying the sounds for them.
- Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of known letter-sound correspondences.
- Form lower case letters correctly.
- Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s
- Compare size, length, weight and capacity.
- Talk about and identify the patterns around them.
- Continue, copy and create repeating patterns.
- Explore the natural world around them.
- Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside.
- Ask questions about their natural environment.
- Begin to understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them.
- Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills.

Learning

Over the next four weeks, we will be learning all about autumn. The children will take part in an autumn walk in our local environment, noticing the seasonal changes around them.

We will learn about hibernation and explore different animals that hibernate with a focus on hedgehogs.

We will find out about farmers and their crops.

We will learn why harvesting is important and why it happens at certain times throughout the year. We will learn about harvest festivals and why/how people celebrate harvest time.

Question and Discussion Time

What is autumn?

What changes can you see in your garden, at the park, on your walk to school?

What is happening to the trees?

What do you notice about the days – light and dark?

What is harvest?

Key Vocabulary

Season, change, time, year.
Harvest, festival, vegetables, fruits, scarecrows, combine harvester, sowing seeds, growing, crops, gather.
Autumn, leaves, conkers, orange, brown, yellow, red, seasons, rustling, crunchy, autumn weather – rain, sun, cloud.

Hibernation, hedgehog, mice, bat, bear.

Notices

Sounds Write - This is the phonics programme we follow in school. For information on how you can support your child to read and write at home, please visit the Sounds Write website for free training.

Project Texts

Hello Autumn

Percy the Park Keeper – After the Storm

Don't Hog the Hedge

The Little Red Hen

Songs and Rhymes

Big Red Combine Harvester

Somebodies waking up sniff snuff

Autumn Leaves are Falling Down

Dingle Dangle Scarecrow

Learning Stations &

Things You Could Do At Home

- Leaf sorting & printing
- Place and arrange autumn art
- Sculptures - hedgehogs
- Building a hedgehog house.