Literacy

We will be basing our work on the stories of Journey (Whole School, 2 weeks), Owl Babies and Where The Wild Things Are. We will also be looking at non-fiction books about forests and woodland animals. We will begin to form letters and hear the initial sounds in words which will help us to start writing words, labelling pictures and looking at the features of a narrative. We will start to identify rhyming words in stories.

Understand the five key concepts about print:

- print has meaning
- print can have different purposes
- we read English text from left to right and from top to bottom
- the names of the different parts of a book
- page sequencing

Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of known letter- sound correspondences.

Read and understand simple sentences.

Read some common irregular words.

Use phonic knowledge to decode regular words and read them aloud accurately.

Read some common irregular words.

Demonstrate understanding when talking with others about what they have read.

Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing.

Write some letters accurately.

Write short sentences with words with known sound-letter correspondences using a capital letter and full stop.

Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense.

Use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds.

Write some irregular common words.

Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.

Phonics

Children will have daily phonics sessions. Reception children will learn to hear, say and blend sounds in words and to recognise words by sight. Initially they will focus on learning the phase 2 sounds: s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k, ck, e, u, u, r, h, b, f, l

Nursery children will discriminate between sounds, listen out for alliteration, and rhyme and then begin to develop hearing and saying the initial sounds in words.

All children will learn how to listen carefully to stories and poems and be encouraged to talk about their ideas, thoughts, and feelings.

Communication & Language

The children will learn to listen to others during show and tell and storytelling and by joining in with rhymes and action songs. Sensory box with things for children to describe. Talk, ask and answer questions about families.

Retell a simple past event in correct order

Recreate stories in role play and small world play.

They will talk about what they are doing and explain what is happening

N - Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens Understand a wider range of vocabulary

Express a point of view

Start a conversation with an adult or a friend

R -Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences

Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives.

Describe events in some detail

Engage in story times

Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding.

Mathematics-

Measures

Compare objects by length, thickness and weight/mass, using appropriate language to describe and order them. What makes objects similar and different. Explaining what we notice. Using the language of longer/taller and shorter to compare length or height. Using the language of wider/fatter/thicker and thinner to compare thickness. Using the language of heavier and lighter to compare mass/weight. Exploring that bigger things might not be heavier. Ordering a small set of objects by a given attribute

Mastering Number

Subitising

- perceptually subitise within 3
- identify sub-groups in larger arrangements
- create their own patterns for numbers within 4
- practise using their fingers to represent quantities which they can subitise
- experience subitising in a range of contexts, including temporal patterns made by sounds.

Cardinality, ordinality and counting

- relate the counting sequence to cardinality, seeing that the last number spoken gives the number in the entire set
- have a wide range of opportunities to develop their knowledge of the counting sequence, including through rhyme and song
- have a wide range of opportunities to develop 1:1 correspondence, including by coordinating movement and counting
- have opportunities to develop an understanding that anything can be counted, including actions and sounds
- explore a range of strategies which support accurate counting.

Composition

- see that all numbers can be made of 1s
- compose their own collections within 4.

Comparison

- understand that sets can be compared according to a range of attributes, including by their numerosity
- use the language of comparison, including 'more than' and 'fewer than'

compare sets 'just by looking'.

Expressive Arts & Design

Encourage the children to engage in the text by playing alongside them and extending their play. Provide them with resources which they can build their play around.

ART Drawing-

Develop drawing skills, a firm hand grip and control of a range of tools and materials. Draw enclosures, lines and shapes and to fill with colour using chalk, crayons, felt tips and pencils accurately to create drawings of owls, Wild Thing characters

Observational drawing of flowers, trees, leaves.

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Food-measuring, mixing playdough. Peeling, chopping apples, mixing making apple crumble

Structures- building structures, walls, enclosures, towers with bricks inside & outside

MUSIC

Sing animal action songs with the children such as 'Two Little Dickie Birds'. Learn nursery rhymes, songs about animals.

Learn Harvest Festival songs- I'm a dingle dangle scarecrow

Kapow Music - Exploring sound

Exploring how to use our voice and bodies to make sounds, experimenting with tempo and dynamic when playing instruments and identifying sounds in the environment

Forests

Journey, Owl Babies and Where the Wild Things Are 1st Half Autumn Term 2024



Hooks-

Journey- A forest walk exploring features of the text, hot air ballons, festoon lights, lanterns, purple feathers etc

Physical Development

Daily Busy Fingers activities to strengthen fingers

Pencil control, name tracing, mark making.

Brain break Jump Start Jonny, Wake Up Shake Up, Funky Monkey, Daily Mile, Sticky Kids, PE, playground games, ride-on equipment, trim trail and climbing equipment time

Making bridges across 'fire pits' with planks, tyres etc...

Establish regular routines for eating, drinking, washing and toileting so that children become familiar with the rhythm of the day

Introduction to PE

Children will spend time learning basic principles of a PE lesson such as safely using space, stopping safely, using and sharing equipment and working individually, with a partner and group. They will take part in activities which will develop fundamental movement skills such as running, jumping and skipping. Children will also play simple games and begin to understand and use rules.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{N}}$ -Use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors.

Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils.

Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text, some as exact repetition and some in their own words.

Listen to stories, accurately anticipating key events and respond to what they hear with relevant comments, questions or actions.

Develop their own narratives and explanations by connecting ideas or events Learn new vocabulary

Use new vocabulary though the day

Ask questions to find out more

Sing a large repertoire of songs

Listen to and learn rhymes, poems and songs

Owl Babies- The children will receive a phone call to tell them there is a surprise box in the wild area where they will find a box containing the book Owl Babies, photographs, feathers, twigs, owl puppets and key vocabulary cards.

Harvest Festival - Friday 20th September

Old Man's Day Wednesday 2nd October

Black History Week 20-25th October

Show a preference for a dominant hand.

Be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed, for example putting coats on and doing up zips.

Continue to develop their movement, balancing, riding and ball skills.

Match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities in the setting.

R -Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons.

Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient.

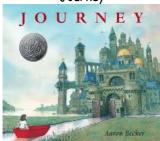
Handle equipment and tools effectively, including pencils for writing. Progress towards a more fluent style of moving with developing control and grace.

Confidently and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and in a group.

Role play

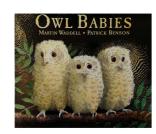
Inside there will have a home corner to give the children a familiar setting in which to play as they start school.

Journey



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JyBTnJcboWo

Owl Babies



https://vimeo.com/55971653

Where The Wild Things Are

WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE



STORY AND PICTURES BY MAURICE SENDAK

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3FsBaRYRPnU

Research

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Children will be taught the classroom routines and rules and encouraged to share, take turns and play cooperatively. Children will be encouraged to learn each other's names and form friendships

Jigsaw Topic:

Being Me In My World Self- identity Understanding feelings Being in a classroom Being Gentle Rights and responsibilities

RE - What Makes People Special?

Family
Friends
Role Models
Moses
Jesus

Understanding of the World

The children will learn about forest plants and animals.

They will visit the forest area and explore forest school activities one morning each week e.g. Collect leaves to make owl collages. Make owl nests. Find places Owls may live

They will plant bulbs. They will notice the change of seasons and how the plants and weather changes.

Allow the children to create 'night pictures' using the class tablet/computer on Paint or 2simple.

Teach the children facts about owls (and other nocturnal animals) provide them with non- fiction books.

Create an 'investigation station' for the children with magnifying glasses, mirrors, feathers, sticks etc.

Create a bird bath in the water tray.

Investigate birds, placing bird feeders and water trays outside. Allow the children to monitor and record what they observe. Set up a camera and print out still photos of the birds. Allow the children to annotate these in their own way.

Look at homes and habitats - why do different animals and creatures live where they do?

Observe common garden animals, bugs and birds. Create spotter kits with the children, which could include binoculars, digital cameras, field journals, writing and drawing materials and posters or fact files about common native animals.

Make a regular time for children to talk to the class about anything that they have observed or discovered for themselves

Harvest festival - Farms, farming, food suppliers, scarecrows

The children will play with and operate simple electronic equipment such as Chromebooks cameras, iPads and BeeBots.

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