

Curriculum Newsletter

Reception Autumn 2009

Literacy and Language

We will be developing our Speaking and Listening skills and looking at a range of fiction and non-fiction



books

We will begin to build our phonic knowledge and vocabulary to develop Reading and Writing skills. Our role-play areas will focus on our topics of Our Home, Autumn and Celebrations so that we can promote purposeful play and appropriate language. This will also help with developing independent and pre-writing skills.

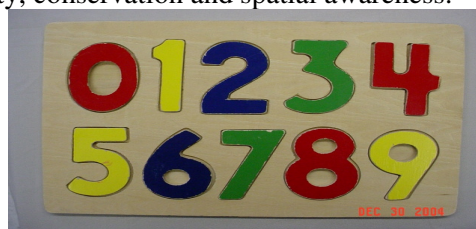
Numeracy.

In Numeracy we will be using number rhymes and concentrating on understanding of mathematical language.

We will be working on counting, simple addition together with money, measure, shape and symmetrical patterns.

We will also be looking at data collection in our topic work and making graphs to illustrate our findings.

Sand and water activities will help concepts of scale, capacity, conservation and spatial awareness.



Knowledge and Understanding.

Our topics this term are Nursery Rhymes, Colour, Elmer, Autumn and Celebrations.

We will be finding our way around school and making maps and following routes.

We will be looking at different materials and finding out about their properties.

During Autumn we will look at the changing seasons and weather.

Towards the end of the term we will be focussing on birthdays and different winter festivals.

We will develop our ICT skills with computers, interactive whiteboard, programmable toys and tape recorders.



Creative.

Art – we will develop painting techniques and skills and using colour effectively. We also are looking at paintings by famous artists.

Collage, cutting and sticking activities will aid manipulative skills and control with small tools.

In music, we will be exploring sound through percussion instruments, singing a range of songs and making rhythmic patterns. Role-play – Home Corner



Vet's Surgery, Party time and Post Office will provide the main areas of experiences.

Music and Movement – we will follow the BBC. 'Playtime' series.

PSHE.

Our main focus will be on settling in to school and developing friendships. Emphasis on co-operative play, sharing and taking turns with equipment and toys.

We will also think of ourselves and talk about the people who look after us and help us.

Circle time will focus on feelings and our friends.



Physical

PE. – To develop our skills with small apparatus – bats and balls/ beanbags/ skipping ropes / ball skills. To develop large apparatus skills – climbing, / jumping / swinging / sliding.

Outdoor toys.

Manipulative skills using small world play.

Hand control using pencils, crayons, paintbrush and scissors



P.E. will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please have shorts and tee shirt in school.