




Subject	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
Phonics 	Your child will be taught in a phonics group every day. They will learn how to say and read new sounds, write these sounds and recognise them in words. When ready, your child will begin to read simple words. They will be introduced to short phonics stories and complete different reading and writing activities based on these stories.	
Literacy	<div data-bbox="315 384 456 560"></div> <div data-bbox="477 384 618 560"></div> <p>Character and Setting Through daily literacy sessions your child will become familiar with a focus story book. Your child will be shown how to identify key features of the book, such as front cover, title and author. Your child will take part in discussions about the characters and the setting of the stories and get the opportunity to visit a real life setting - the Gruffalo's Forest! Your child will have the opportunity to apply their knowledge at adult led and independent activities linked to the texts, such as role play during choosing time.</p>	<div data-bbox="1214 373 1361 564"></div> <div data-bbox="1377 373 1525 564"></div> <p>Journalistic Writing This term we will focus on story books which link to our 'space' topic. Your child will develop their listening skills and be asked to respond to questions about the stories. We will also have the opportunity to write a news report for the Star Primary Newspaper. Handwriting: Your child will begin writing in their Literacy books this term. The class teacher will work in small groups to support your child's pencil grip and letter formation. There will also be mark making opportunities during choosing where your child can practice their writing during play.</p>
Maths	<p>In maths this term we will focus on recognising and writing numbers 1-10. Your child will be encouraged to count accurately as well as match numeral to quantity in fun and imaginative ways. Your child will learn about 2D shapes and describing their properties e.g. how many corners or straight sides they have. We will be developing and using positional language. There will be a number of maths choosing activities for your child to explore and develop their learning independently during their play. We will explore pattern in a variety of ways including colour, shape and number.</p>	<p>This term we will revisit pattern. We will extend our knowledge of shape by learning about 3D shapes and their properties. Daily counting and number practice will continue as we extend your child and begin to recognise and write numbers 1-20. We will have a focus on capacity and measurement and your child will start to record their work in Maths books. They will begin to work in adult led groups where they can play maths games and explore maths topics further. All of these mini topics will be linked to our focus books above.</p>
Understanding the World	<p>This term your child will learn about the natural environment and develop their understanding of living things and seasonal change. Your child will also learn about the history of the dinosaurs and some of their features, making observations and comparisons.</p>	<p>This term your child will continue learning about the natural environment around them and will develop their understanding of living things and seasonal change. They will recognise and be able to describe special times in their lives with family and friends and will be invited to participate in special events at school such as the Diwali and the Christmas Story.</p>

Expressive Arts & Design	This term your child will observe patterns and change in detail through a variety of art and design activities. They will explore Autumnal tones by mixing paints and will create art using natural objects.	This term your child will continue to observe patterns and change through art and design activities. They will create sculptures and explore mixing media through collage.
Personal, Social & Emotional	This term your child will show more confidence when talking in a group discussion and begin to talk about their own abilities and interests. They will understand the Golden Rules set by the teachers and the behaviour expected of them. They will follow directions and will show an awareness of safety in the classroom and the garden. They will grow in independence particularly with decision making during choosing times and assuming responsibility for their actions towards others.	
Music	The children will identify different sounds and how they can be changed. We will explore sounds through percussion instruments and singing twice a week.	The children will work on rhythm, pitch and dynamic. We will practice singing in a group and learn songs for our Christmas performance.
P.E.	Children will focus on fundamental movement skills, such as agility, balance and coordination. They will play a variety of outdoor games to improve their skills.	Children will continue to develop their fundamental movement skills with a focus on gymnastics.
Homework	Your child will have a reading book sent home and should read with an adult at home every day. Your child will also have a list of high frequency words to learn to read by sight. These will be sent home and tested once a week. Each term your child will receive a home learning project from which you will choose three activities to complete as a family.	