

Welcome to the Autumn Term. We have really enjoyed welcoming all the Reception children and families. The children have settled really well and have been busy learning lots of new routines.

We will continue to be getting to know the children's interests and supporting them.

In Literacy, we will be reading lots of stories and talking about the story and characters. We will use puppets to retell familiar stories. In a few weeks, we will be starting our phonics teaching using Sounds-Write. We will then be applying the sounds we have learnt to label pictures using our initial sounds and simple words.

In Maths, we will be singing lots of number and counting songs and rhymes. We will focus on numbers to 5 and explore different ways we can represent and make numbers. We will be practising counting objects carefully using one to one correspondence and matching objects to numerals.

## Our theme is: All about me





## Key vocabulary:

Family Community Map Local area Emergency Past Present Future

## **Reminders & Dates**

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- Please ensure named PE kits are in school all week.
- Outdoor PE is on Monday for all classes. Children need navy shorts, jade t-shirt, navy jogging bottoms, navy jumper / hooded top, trainers.
- <u>Indoor PE:</u> Oak and Elm Friday. Willow Thursday. Home learning
- Every Friday we send out a Weekly Round-Up via Tapestry. There will also be Talk Question to explore and discuss with your child. We encourage you to talk to your child about their learning. Please share any exciting moments in your child's home learning with us, via Tapestry.
- Please read to or with your child every day it makes a huge difference!

## Dates

• Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September @7pm – Parent Information Evening

In Physical Development, we will continue to be practising getting changed into our PE kits. Children we will look at different ways we can move and negotiating space. We will also look at the way exercise effects our bodies.

In Personal, Social and Emotional Development, we will be learning about what makes us special and how to respect the needs of others. We will also be talking about and showing how the school rules and listening to adults helps to keep us safe.

In Communication and Language (linked to our theme) we will be asking relevant questions to find out more information, sharing our opinions and using our key vocabulary to talk about what we know.

In Understanding the World we will be learning all about our bodies and how we move. Children will look at how humans grow and change, our families and the people who care for us. We will be looking at our school and local area using maps and going on walks in our local area and then comparing to a contrasting area in the UK. Next, we will learn about people that help us in our community. We will investigate seasonal changes throughout the year with a particular focus on Autumn.

In Expressive Arts and Design, we will be exploring colours and painting with primary colours. We will mix colours to make secondary colours and be painting self-portraits.

In Religious Education we will learn about how God is important to Christians. We will be joining in with our school Harvest celebration.