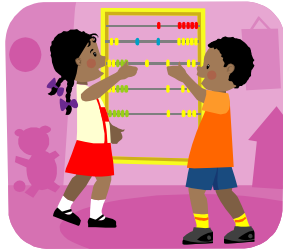


**Mathematics** is a combination of number skills, and learning about shape, space and measure. The children will experience a variety of practical activities to develop



their counting skills, numeral recognition, and understanding of mathematical words such as 'more' and 'less'. They will also explore 2d and 3d shapes, and compare the size, length and weight of a variety of everyday objects.

The children will continue to develop their **Understanding of the World** through exploration of our school environment, talking about their families and homes, and learning to use different forms of technology to support their learning.

We encourage children's creativity through our **Expressive Arts and Design** activities. The children will



The children are settling into school life, and are beginning to understand the routines and structure of our day. We would like to express a big thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting the children, and look forward to continuing to work with you.

## How you can help

- Talk with your child about their day.
- The children will soon be bringing reading books home. Find a time of day when your child can read to you for 5 minutes ('little and often' is better for young readers).
- Use everyday opportunities to look at letter sounds, words and numbers (count as you go up and down stairs, look for numbers on cars and house doors, find things in the supermarket that begin with 's' etc).
- Ensure your child has everything they need for their school day, and that they arrive on time. We open the doors at 8.40 am and the children are expected to be in their classroom by 8.48 am.
- We are always looking for help in the classroom, so please let us know if you would like to help making resources, supporting our activities on a regular or one off basis, or joining us for special events.



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have access to art and craft daily

Information for Parents

*Early Years*

## Life in Early Years is very busy!

The children learn through carefully planned activities based on play, which cover all seven areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum.



### In Personal, Social and Emotional

**Development** this term, the children will continue to develop the relationships they have made in these first few weeks. They will take part in lots of activities to encourage self confidence, taking turns, sharing, and making the right choices about how they behave.

**Communication and Language** is always a key focus in our classroom, and this term we will be teaching the children to

communicate with both their friends and familiar adults. They will take part in lots of group circle time activities, and



communicate with friends and familiar adults. They will take part in lots of small games, activities, and whole

## Our activities this term will be based on the following themes:

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★ Friends and Family ★  
★ Traditional Tales ★  
★ Autumn ★  
★ Colour & Shade ★  
★ Christmas ★  
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We will occasionally send requests for children to bring in things from home related to our themes. If you can offer any expertise with any of our themes, or would just like to come and share an activity with us, please speak to a member of staff.

We welcome your input into your child's learning, and encourage families to share examples of activities your child has done at home.



Children's **Physical Development** is a vital part of their health and well being, and they will be given daily opportunities for physical play on both a large and small scale. As the colder and wetter weather approaches the children will continue to explore our outdoor space, learning a variety of new skills using



our play equipment and resources. Please make sure they have wellies and a waterproof coat in school.

In **Literacy** the children will begin their journey into reading, writing and phonics. They will take part in a daily phonics session, which will help them to read and write letter sounds, and will be tailored to the needs of their group. They will have many opportunities to 'mark make' (which we call 'special writing') and adults will support them with writing correct letter shapes when they are ready. This year we will be introducing a new style of handwriting.

