

## Self Managers

At School we will:

Select and use resources independently.  
Describe what we are doing

At home you could:

Give children the opportunities to make their own choices.

## Effective Participators:

At School we will:

Work as part of a group taking turns and sharing and thinking of others feelings

A home you could:

Play board games as a family to help learn about turn taking

## Resourceful Thinkers

At school we will:

test out our own ideas through our play and try to say why we think things happen.

At home you could:

You could ask questions about why your child thinks things happen.

## Reflective Learners

At school we will:

Consider the effect of our words and actions on our self and others.

At home you could:

Talk about good choices and how it feels to make a good choice for everyone.

## Independent Enquirers

At school we will:

Ask if we need some help to do a job and listen carefully so we can try our best in our learning.

At home you could:

Encourage your child to complete an activity such as shared reading with you each night.

# Acorn



# Class

## Team Workers

At school we will:

Learn to respect that people have different values and beliefs and ideas about things.

At home you could:

Learn about different countries, cultures and beliefs.

Do you want to be friends?  
Autumn Term 1 2019

**Key Messages-** Welcome to Acorn Class and to starting school, we are very pleased that you have chosen to become part of our school family. For this term please come straight to the mobile at 8.50am. We are unable to take the children earlier as we have to set up the classroom environment but there is breakfast club, if you need this provision talk to Mrs. Leasing at the main office. Children will start school fulltime on the 9<sup>th</sup> September. Please make sure that they have a set of clothing incase of toileting accidents. P.E is on a Tuesday Morning, they can come in their P.E kit to school but must have their uniform to change into. The children will need a warm coat for playtimes and lunch time and wellies are worn in the outdoor area to prevent their shoes getting damaged. Please make sure everything is clearly named! A fruit Snack and milk are provided at morning play. Please make the office aware of dietary requirements and allergies as soon as possible. You are very welcome to come in for a chat both myself and Mrs. Morrison will be pleased to see you.

### Understanding the world

At school we will be learning about our school community and the local community of Cranford, going out on our wellie walks. We will be learning about people that help us like the emergency services. In R.E we will talk about who we think God and Jesus are and start to think about what we believe as a family and look at our special family customs. We will look at the changing seasons and think about harvest time and look at man's effect on the world around us..

### Personal, Social, Emotional Development

At school we will be learning about- Friendship, being kind, being helpful, co-operation with others, similarities and difference and people that help us in school and the community. We will learn about school rules and school values.

### Physical Development

At school Pace setters will be teaching us about different ways of moving our bodies and about the effects of exercise on our body. We will be mark making and practising having more control to write and draw. We will practice our fine motor skills with finger gym activities.

### Communication and Language Development

At school we will be meeting new adults and children and learning about others likes and dislikes. We will be learning to listen to others. We will be encouraged to show and tell things from home and talk about our family. we will be sharing our ideas about stories we read together.



## Do you want to be friends? Autumn Term 2019 Topic

### Expressive Arts and Design technology

At school we will be doing portraits of ourselves and our friends, colour mixing for skin tone and hair and eye colour. We will be combining natural materials to make Autumn wreaths and art in the style of Arcimboldi when we learn about harvest time. We will design and make a friendship stop for the playground. We will be encouraged to imaginatively play in our continuous provision area. We will have a weekly music lesson where we will be practising our skill of listening and responding to copy rhythm and rhyme.

### Characteristics of Effective Learning-

At school we will be *Playing and exploring* in our new environment getting used to our new classroom and school and making friends with new people. We will be encouraged to be *active learners* taking part and asking questions to further our learning. We will be learning to develop our *critical thinking* with lots of questioning and trying out our ideas on how things could be adapted and changed during our play.

### Literacy- Reading and Writing

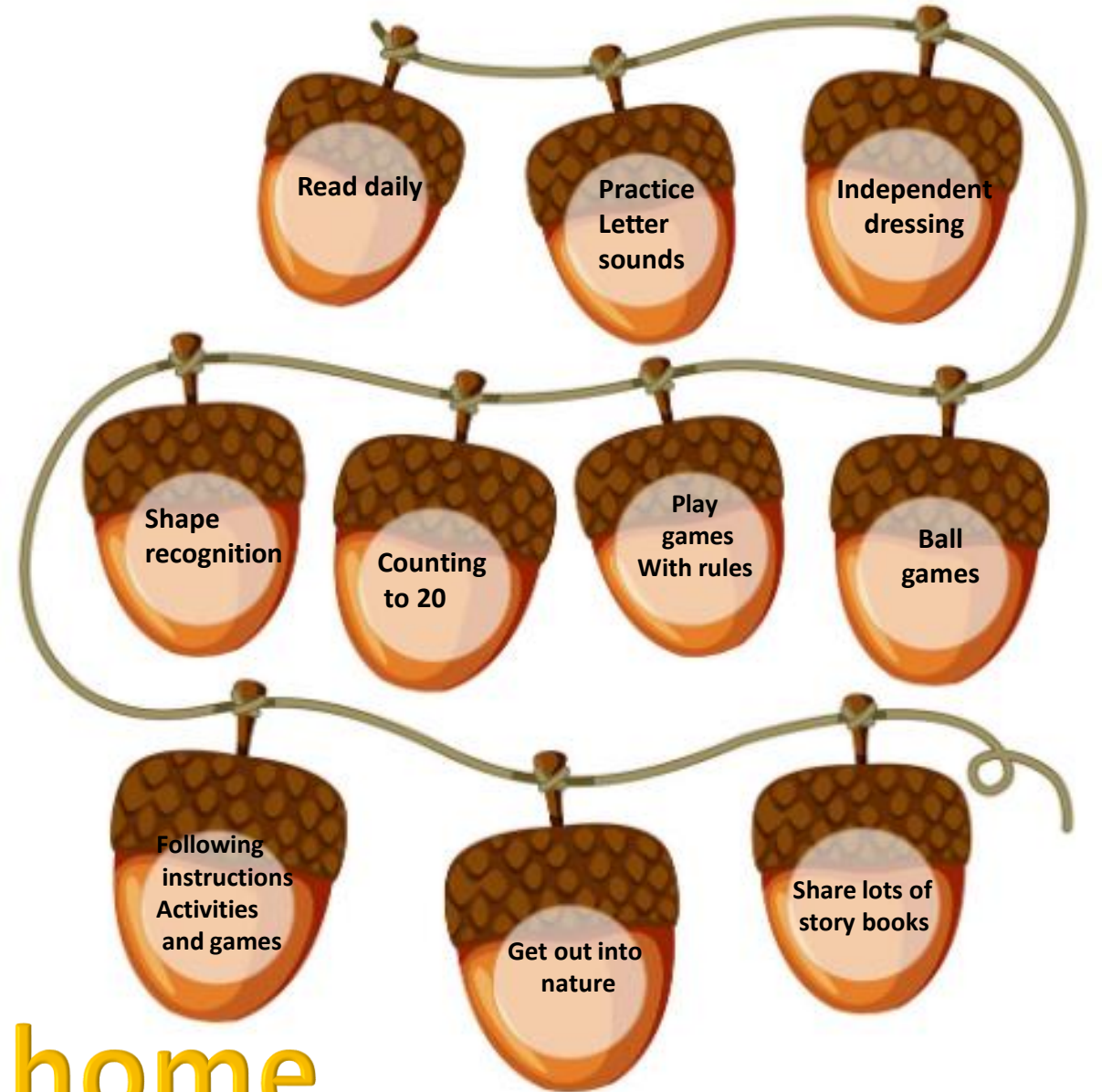
At school we will begin to learn our initial sounds and be introduced to the Read Write inc reading scheme. We will learn to form letters that we are learning everyday. We will be looking at stories linked to our topic and at a whole school book called Curiosity. Writing a Thank you letter to a family member. In story time we will be exploring books related to friendship.

### Maths number and shape

Number and place value to 5, comparing groups, sorting, counting forwards and backwards using different objects when counting, creating a simple pattern, measuring each others feet and height, recognising 2D shapes.



*Mighty oaks  
from  
little acorns  
grow*



**What you can do at home...**