



# Nursery Topics and Themes: Autumn 2 2018



## Personal and Social Development

- Following rules and routines.
- Taking turns in talking in a group.
- Talking about our friends and families and what makes them special.
- Talking about the different festivals we celebrate e.g. Bonfire Night, Christmas,
- Keeping Safe – on our roads, in our homes and out and about

## Understanding of the World

- Discussions about different festivals and how we celebrate.
- Discovering the changes Autumn brings.
- Road Safety
- Properties of materials

## ICT

- Variety of computer programs, Beebot programmable robots and remote controls vehicles
- CD machines

## COOKING

- Sandwiches
- Biscuits

## Colour, Festivals and Light

### Mathematics

- Copying, continuing, creating, repeating patterns.
- Recognising / describing / matching two dimensional shapes.
- Recognising numerals that are important to us.
- Counting with 1:1 correspondence
- Counting in order
- Positional language – up, in, over, under, etc

### Literacy

- Stories of the week:
  - ❖ Autumn
  - ❖ Ten in a bed
  - ❖ Kippers Toybox
  - ❖ Various Christmas stories
- Keeping safe
- Good Friends
- Name recognition
- Write cards for festivals

## Physical Development

- Moving to music from different cultures.
- Circle games.
- Responding to instructions.
- Developing pencil and scissor control.
- Using small apparatus e.g. bat and balls.

## Communication and Language

- Talking about the different festivals we celebrate e.g. Bonfire Night, Christmas,
- Talking about our favourite toys
- Speaking and listening games and activities

## Expressive Arts and Design

**Music**  
Sound patterns.  
Christmas songs.  
Musical games.

### Art / Design

- Mixing colours, textures.
- Modelling

### Role Play

- Dark House
- Toy shop
- Garage
- Santa's Grotto

## Experiences / visits / visitors:

- Autumn Walk
- Toy week
- Christmas
- Keeping safe/Road Safety
- Friendship Week

## The Curriculum in Nursery

The curriculum is planned in 2 main areas of learning experience – **Prime Areas** which include Personal, Social and Emotional development, Communication and Language and Physical Development and **Specific Areas** which include Literacy, Mathematics, Expressive Art and Design and Understanding the World. The Unique Child reaches out to relate to people and things through the **Characteristics of Effective Learning**, which move through all areas of learning.

- playing and exploring
- active learning
- creating and thinking critically

## Contributions from home:

Your support is invaluable and really does make a difference to your child's learning. This term we would particularly welcome help with any of the following:

- Looking at numbers and letters in the environment
- Share reading stories every day
- Play name recognition games
- Talk to your children to develop their language and vocabulary