

Communication and Language/ Literacy

We will:

- Listen to rhyming words and identify rhyme.
- Listen to and hear initial sounds of words.
- Orally blend and segment sounds in words.
- Learn phase 3 phonic sounds
- Use magnetic letters to make CVC words.
- Learn new words and vocabulary through stories
- Sequence and retell a story
- Write character descriptions
- Draw and label a woodland animal
- Write facts in bullet points
- Practice letter formation in families

Mathematics

We will:

- Counting forwards and backwards up to 20
- Compare length of objects using longer, shorter and equal to
- Recognise that amounts get one more as we count
- Recognise the total in a group of objects just by looking (subitising).
- Explore symmetry
- Explore composition, how 5, 6, 7 is made using 5 and a bit
- Learn ordinal numbers 1st, 2nd, 3rd.
- Compare capacity using language such as full and empty

Physical Development

We will:

- Continue to strengthen the muscles in our hands through fine motor activities in the classroom.
- Practice throwing and catching skills in PE. routines.
- Learn a Lunar New Year dance.

Into the Woods

Books we are reading this term:



Words we will use this term:

Character, setting, description, non-fiction, diagram, stroll, feast, hoot, fled, feathers, prey, pellet, talons, swallow, whole, call, mate, hooting, journey, growled, shortcut, disguised, replied, leapt, habitat, arctic, desert, throw, catch, aim, map, globe, world, lifecycle, owlet, collage

Things to do at home

- Share reading book and library book at home daily.
- Practice spellings every week.
- Hide cvc words around the house for your child to find (dog, mop, tap etc). You could even make a treasure hunt.
- Cut out pictures and make a collage.
- Learn a new skill and share on tapestry.

Understanding the World

We will:

- Learn about the habitat of a wood and what animals live there.
- Bake a Gruffalo crumble and eat it!
- Learn about polar habitats, where they are in the world and what animals live there.
- Learn about desert habits and what animal and plants we might find there.
- Go on a winter welly walk around the school.
- Investigate what owls eat and their lifecycle.
- Locate China on a map and learn about the celebration of Lunar new Year.

Expressive Art and Design

We will:

- Paint a picture of a Gruffalo character.
- Use watercolour paints to create a wood picture.
- Explore creating our own different patterns with oil pastels.
- Make a collage woodland picture.
- Make a collage of an owl using different materials.
- Visit the Chinese restaurant.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development and RE

We will:

- Learn the importance of being outside and not too much screen time to keep healthy.
- Talk about feeling worried and angry.
- Learn our school value; "We try our best"
- Discuss stories of when Jesus healed others and talk about who is special to us.
- Learn about Lunar New Year.
- learn about keeping safe by the road and on our trip to the woods.