

## Our topic for Autumn 1 is: 'All About Me'

### Overview

Our first Topic will reflect the children's interests and what makes them unique individuals. We will be exploring what is important to us, our families and our new school. We will read stories as a class that encourage the children to express their own experiences, feelings and interests.

### Physical development

We will begin PE and Tennis lessons this half term and our focus will be on movement, control and navigating space safely. We will be developing our fine motor skills with daily 'funky finger' activities and 'Doh Disco'. We will also be exploring health and what keeps us physically healthy. The Children will be learning daily, how to handle tools, objects and equipment with safety and increased control, including scissors and pencils for writing.

### Mathematics

At the start of the term we will be matching and sorting a range of resources into groups. We will then move onto subitising numbers within three. We will also be developing our counting, cardinality and ordinality skills, before moving onto the composition of numbers to 4 and comparing groups of numbers, using the language of 'more than' and 'fewer than'. We will also learn and sing lots of songs with numbers.



### Communication and language

Through child initiated learning, circle times, singing songs, telling stories and group work, we will be developing our communication and language skills. We will be asking each other questions about our families, pets, homes and experiences which will further develop these skills and increase our confidence to share our ideas, needs and feelings with others.

### Literacy

As a class we will be exploring a range of stories in all areas of our learning. We will be learning our phase 2 phonics sounds and using these to develop our blending and segmentation skills. We will be doing lots of rhyming activities and the children will be encouraged to explore our key texts independently using a range of props and resources.

### Understanding the world

We will have lots of opportunities to explore our immediate environment and the natural world around us, including regular local walks and weekly Forest school sessions. We will be exploring the similarities and differences between our own experiences and those of people from different places and cultures. We will look at how we looked before, how we look now and what we might look like in the future.

### Expressive arts and design

We will be learning a range of songs and rhymes as a class. The children will be encouraged to explore the role play and creative areas both inside and outside. We will be introduced to a wide variety of materials and learn how to use these safely and independently.

### Personal, social and emotional development

We will be participating in lots of activities that involve taking turns, talking and listening, sharing and working cooperatively with one another. We will be learning to independently select and use our own resources. We will be participating in circle time and discussions, exploring feelings, relationships and our school values.