

Foundation Stage Topic Web Newsletter

Class/Year: ___Nursery_____

Term: ___Autumn 1_____



Introduction to topic/theme:

This half term we will be looking at the topic 'Happy to Be Me'. We will focus on helping the children settle into Nursery, make friends and learn about one another. We will also learn about all of the different parts of our bodies, who is in our family and where we live.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Adapting to new routines
- The importance of following rules
- Likes and dislikes discussion
- People we love and people who look after us
- Our feelings and how to deal with them
- How to be a good helper in Nursery
- Belonging to the Brackenhill Primary School family

Physical Development

- Learning about how we balance and developing spatial awareness to avoid bumping into things
- Developing gross motor control when using large equipment, e.g. buckets, spades, outdoor brushes etc.
- Exploring different ways in which we can move, e.g. walking, crawling, jumping, hopping etc.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Creating our own self-portraits using a variety of writing tools, e.g. felt-tip pens, pencil crayons etc.
- Studying colours and creating colour patterns using paint
- Learning the words to well-known nursery rhymes, e.g. Head, shoulders, knees and toes, etc.

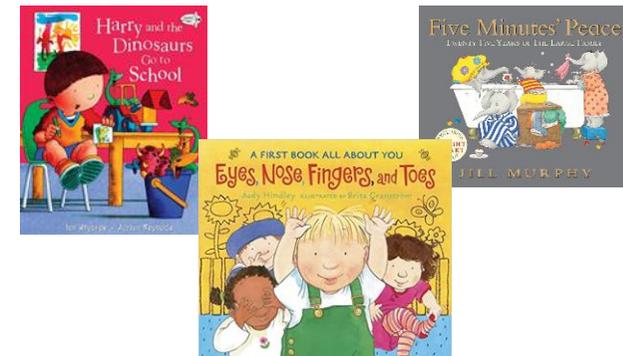
Homework

Please note that we will be providing children with homework tasks to complete from Autumn 2.



Communication, Language & Literacy

The children will be introduced to a range of reading material to fuel their interest in reading. We will also be reading the stories below in class and engaging in lots of activities around these key texts, focusing on listening, attention, and recall.



Mathematics

- Understanding our daily routine
- Learning the names of colours
- Colour matching games and activities
- Making simple repeating ABAB patterns using colours
- Sorting objects into groups according to their colour
- Learning how to match different items

Understanding the World

We will be learning about ourselves and understanding how different people in our communities look after us, e.g. family, friends, teachers etc. We will also be learning about celebrations such as Halloween and study what changes occur during the autumn season by going on walks in our wildlife garden. We will get to know more about our school and also discover other areas of it such as the sports hall for PE.

Ideas to try at home

- Go on an autumn walk and collect natural objects in order to make a collage for the season. Bring this in to share with the other children.
- When at home, encourage your child to look for colours in their environment.
- Listen to audio books and read books at the library. Encourage your child/children to answer who, what and even some why questions.