



LEARNING PREVIEW

Heath Class - Autumn Term 1

Dates - 10/10/16 - 21/10/16

Friendship and Science Week

Mrs O'Dell and Mrs Pinkham

Supported in the morning by: Mrs Timmins and Mrs Wale

Supported in the afternoon by: Miss Atchama and Miss Bushell



How our learning will link to our children's lives, interests and experiences

- Our morning carpet time is a wonderful opportunity for us all to get to know each other. At this time, the children share a little about their own personal experiences from the weekend or day before. It is also an opportunity to share their show and tell and find out about the day ahead.
- Our Personal, Social and Emotional (PSE) theme is friendships as this is something that is so important at this point of the year. The children are meeting many new children and making friends. We will be using books to help support the making of new friendships and helping us understand one another's feelings around friendships.
- Science Week is a whole school event where we will be focusing on Water. The children will think about water in many different ways; doing WOW experiments, weather, planting, saving water and underwater animals.

How our learning will link to the wider world

- We will begin by reading books about friendship and using the main theme of each book to prompt our talk and understanding - *What do you need to do to be a good friend? How do you ask someone to play with you?*
- In science week there will be lots of hands on experience with water; investigating ice balloons, adding colouring to water, finding out about the weather and visiting and tending to our vegetable patch. We will also be thinking about animals that live in water and how we can save water. *Why do we get puddles on our playground? Where does the water go? How can we make the ice melt faster?*

Books

- The Tiger Who Came to Tea - *Judith Kerr*
- Knight School - *Jane Clarke and Jane Massey*
- The Little Red Hen
- Rainbow Fish - *Marcus Pfister*
- Non-fiction books about autumn and water

Sing-a-long with us!

We are singing lots of Nursery Rhymes and learning our Harvest songs.

Big Red Combine Harvester, 1,2,3, Little Acorns and Oats and Wheat and Barley Grow

Ideas

When out for a walk, look for all the signs of autumn; **finding conkers, different leaf colours, notice the change in temperature.**

-Watch this clip and test it out at home - bring in photos to show us!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E8uEmZyy88M>

REMEMBER

- Talk to your child about autumn and water, asking for his/her thoughts or ideas. When your child offers a theory, respond with something like, "What makes you say that?" or "That's interesting, tell me more." At this stage, it is not about getting to a "right" answer, rather an age appropriate logical one, explained by your child.
- Please encourage your child to be independent in putting on their coat, taking their socks and shoes off and on, using the toilet and remembering to wash our hands!
- We love receiving your magic moments. If you need a new sheet please ask.