

Acorn Class

Spring One Curriculum Map

Let's Share a Story!



Mathematical development

This half term children will be learning about the numbers 5, 6, 7 and 8. They will explore how these numbers are made and begin to recall number bonds for addition and subtraction. We will also investigate mass and capacity, comparing these in real-life situations. In addition children will be introduced to the concept of time by talking about daily routines and important times during the school day.

Reading and writing



This half term we will continue with our Monster Phonics programme, learning sounds made up of two letters (digraphs) and three letters (trigraphs). Children will practise blending sounds to read short words using their knowledge of letter-sound correspondences. In writing, we will base our work on the story Jack and the Jellybean Stalk, a twist on the traditional tale. Children will retell their own version of the story and continue to spell words by identifying the sounds they hear and writing them using the correct letter(s).



Personal, social and emotional development

This half term children will be introduced to the idea of citizenship. They will begin to understand what it means to work together and belong to a team and a community. We will also think about who is important in our own community and start to explore communities that are different from our own.

Communication and language development

This half term we will continue to develop children's confidence in speaking in front of their classmates during circle time and carpet sessions. We will also continue to broaden their vocabulary using Grandma Fantastic in our English lessons.

Expressive arts and design



This half term children will explore different materials, discuss their properties, and learn how to join them together while building houses for The Three Little Pigs. In music, our focus will be on rhythm. Children will explore how syllables in words can be used to create simple rhythms and how these can be recorded using simple graphical scores with printed images.



Physical development



This half term children will develop their gymnastics skills by learning about jumping, rolling and balancing. They will practise performing different types of jumps and balances on the floor and using a range of gymnastics equipment. Children will also learn a variety of rolls, which they will practise and include in the gymnastics sequences they create.



Understanding the world

We will begin the year with a range of practical experiments, including how to cool Goldilocks' porridge, how to build a house to withstand the Wolf, and how to help the Gingerbread Man cross the river. In RE, our focus will be "Why is the word God so important to Christians?" and children will learn about the Creation story.