

Autumn Term One 2023

Theme Focus: Autumn and Food, size and shape

<p>Weeks beginning 6th and 11th September Goldilocks and the 3 Bears /The three little pigs</p>	<p>Settling in, remembering routines, building confidence Role-play: home corner, 3 bear's cottage Read and act out story of Goldilocks, 3 Little Pigs, with costumes and props (bricks, straw and sticks outside to build) Letters and sounds: environmental sounds- identifying sounds inside and outside/ creating noises Conservation of number 3 bears, 3 pigs, adding and taking 1 away Sorting by size and colour Re-tell the story of Goldilocks making a story map Other story ideas: Where's my teddy, Titch, Someone Bigger, 3 little wolves and the big bad pig.</p>
<p>Week beginning 18th September Handa's surprise/Enormous turnip/Oliver's vegetables</p>	<p>In the nursery garden: harvesting produce planted in spring: potatoes, carrots, courgettes, also the apple and plum trees, weeding and planting winter bulbs. Re-telling the story of Goldilocks, role play drama and puppet show. Making porridge, deciding on favourite toppings Cooking with produce collected: apple cakes, baked potatoes, weighing and measuring for cooking activities Letters and sounds: environmental sounds- recreate sequence of sounds/ add sound effects to stories</p>
<p>Week beginning 25th September The little red Hen The 3 Billy Goats Gruff</p>	<p>Read, re-tell and act out story of 3 Billy Goats with costumes and props (use climbing frame and bridge outside) Re-tell the story of the Little Red Hen using playdough and story characters Small world play in tuff spot to re-tell the stories Building bridges with small bricks (Billy Goat characters) in tough spot, with duplo and with big bricks outside Concept of working together, making a contribution, sharing Baking bread (bring in wheat and a pestle and mortar) Letter and sounds: instrumental sounds (classical music based around Autumn) loud v quiet, start v stop Number songs: 5 little peas, 5 shiny conkers, adding 1 and taking 1 away</p>

<p>Week beginning 2nd October <i>We are going on a leaf hunt</i></p>	<p>Local walks to collect Autumn items (leaves, twigs, conkers, etc) and sorting them out following the story "We are going on a leaf hunt" Hibernation gross motor activities and yoga Making a hedgehog house <i>Collage and art activities using natural materials: leaves, berries, fruit, vegetables, seeds looking at colours in nature, colour mixing</i> <i>Popping peas in a pod: estimating and 1:1 correspondence</i> Letter and sounds: instrumental sounds- guess the instrument, adding instrument to stories Other story ideas: The kitchen garden, Oliver's Vegetables, Oliver's Fruit Salad, 10 seeds, farm stories</p>
<p>Weeks beginning 9th and 16th October <i>The Gingerbread man</i></p>	<p>Autumn songs: sorting foods by colour and finding out how and where they grow. Farms and farming: growing food on a larger scale than in our garden Seasons and the passage of time (sowing and planting, growing, harvesting) Harvest Festival <i>Sorting size resources on maths display and using size cutters in play dough</i> <i>Baking gingerbread people: selecting 3 raisins for buttons</i> Letters and sounds: body percussion- copy sounds, action songs, guess the body sound</p>

Focus activities for observation/assessment purposes

Books of the week

Please note that we often follow children's interests so these activities may change