



FS1 Classroom News!



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This half term our topic is 'Autumn Animal Antics'. We will be exploring a variety of stories including: Owl Babies, Leaf Man, Fletcher and the Falling Leaves, The Leaf Thief and The Squirrels Who Squabbled.



Expressive Arts and Design

This half term, the children will have lots of fun exploring art, music and crafts. They will try using different drawing materials to make lots of different marks and create their own self-portraits. They will also enjoy making autumn crafts, such as nature wreaths and cosy hibernation boxes.

In music, the children will use their voices, bodies and instruments to explore different sounds. They will listen carefully to sounds around them and explore loud and quiet sounds, as well as fast and slow rhythms.



Literacy and Mathematics

This half term in literacy, the children will enjoy sharing familiar books and stories with adults, joining in with repeated words and phrases, and talking about characters and settings. The children will explore mark-making using a variety of materials and learn to notice the different marks they can make.

In maths, the children will explore colours, shapes, sizes and patterns through fun, hands-on activities. They will learn to match and sort objects, noticing what is the same and different, and explore how objects can be grouped in different ways.

Home Learning Star

Please make sure you take a look on the class page for amazing links to support your child's learning at home.

Reminders!

Don't forget to check the class page on the school website to see all the amazing things we have been up to!

Attendance

Regular attendance is directly linked to achievement. Please support the school in this by ensuring that your child attends school every day and arrives ready to learn.

Understanding the World

This half term, the children will explore their local environment, talking about their school, familiar places and the people who are part of their community. They will learn about different jobs and the people who help us in our everyday lives. The children will also explore autumn and the changes they can see in the natural world, using their senses to collect, investigate and talk about natural treasures. Through these experiences, they will develop their curiosity and understanding of the world around them.

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This half term our topic is 'Creation and Covenant'. We will be learning about the creation story in Genesis.



How Can I Help at Home?

Why not take your child on an autumn scavenger hunt? Explore the outdoors together and use your senses to look, touch, smell and listen to the wonderful autumn treasures you find.

Home Reading

Once your child has settled into nursery, they will bring home a wordless book. Sharing wordless books is a great way to build important literacy skills, including listening skills, vocabulary and attention.

Children will visit our reading room each week where they will select a book to bring home, to read with yourself.