

Our LITERACY will be enhanced by the stories 'We're going on a bear hunt' and 'The Gruffalo.' We will be using signifiers to help us remember the stories and map out the stories. We will then be trying to add a new chapter to the stories. We will be encouraging children to use their increasing phonic knowledge to write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others.

In COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE we will be given opportunities to develop vocabulary and talk skills using the past, present and future forms accurately. We will re-tell and re-invent stories using our talk for writing skills connective ideas.

In PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT we will be working indoors and outdoors. In indoor PE we will focussing on finding a space and making different shapes with our bodies. In outdoor PE we will be working on our gross motor skills, hopping, skipping, catching and throwing! In Dough-Disco and Finger gym we will be concentrating on our fine motor skills.

In EXPRESSIVE ARTS & DESIGN we will be decorating the foundation stage with our paintings of weather scenes.

We will also be learning some nursery rhymes for example 'Teddy Bear Picnic.'

In junk modelling we will be making dens for bears and in transient art we will be building the caves.

## If you go down to the woods...

### Curriculum Overview



In NUMBER we will continue to use Numicon to develop our counting skills. We will be counting and ordering numbers to 20 and we saying what is one more and one less than each number.

We will be starting to add and subtract numbers counting on or back to find the answer.

We will be introducing the terms doubling, halving and sharing.

We will also be learning how to estimate, guessing how many bears are inside the cave!

In SHAPE, SPACE & MEASURE we will be looking at both 2D and 3D shapes and using mathematical language to describe them. We will be going on a shape hunt.

We will be exploring weight, capacity, position, distance, time and money to compare quantities and objects in our woodland.

We will be solving problems, involving bears!

In UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD we will be getting used to using our new Amazon Fire Tablets in our STEM area.

We will be observing our special delivery of 7 eggs in Foundation Stage. We will be eagerly awaiting them to hatch into chicks and watching the changes to the eggs.

We will be taking part in our circle time to talk about past and present events in their own lives and family lives to understand different people and communities.

We will be looking closely at the weather in the story 'We're going on a bear hunt.'

In PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT we will continue to develop our talk and social skills. Children will be encouraged to speak in a familiar group and talk about their ideas. We will be continuing to look after and respect our classroom, sharing the roles of area monitors and safety inspectors.

In READING children will have access to a variety of fiction and non fiction books, which link to all areas of learning in our foundation stage. We will be using books to develop our language and knowledge about our woodland topic.

This term we will also be splitting into Reading Squad groups to develop our shared reading skills. Each child's group will read 3 times a week in addition to their weekly reading. Children will be encouraged to use their phonic knowledge to decode words and demonstrate understanding about what they have read.