

In the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) we plan our teaching alongside the children's interests. If the class is really interested and engaged in a particular topic or an activity spurs them on to want to find out more, we try and adapt our teaching and what we are doing to match their enthusiasm. Although these are some possible activities, please be aware that we may not cover them all, and may go off in another direction at some point!

## Areas of Learning in the EYFS

### Communication and Language

Literacy

Mathematics

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Expressive arts and Design

### Physical Development

Understanding the World

#### Communication and Language

To help us with our Phonics skills, we will be doing lots of different types of listening activities, including sound walks, listening for the sounds in words and remembering the sounds we have heard.

We will learn the routines of the classroom and practise listening to others, waiting our turn and sharing own ideas by responding.

We will learn some stories and songs off by heart using Makaton actions to help us.

#### Literacy

Our daily phonics sessions will introduce us to sounds and letters we need to learn to read and write. More information on Phonics will be given at our information session.

Some of the stories we will use in our learning include: *Monkey Puzzle, The Button Box, A Squash and a Squeeze, Just Like Me, Naughty Bus, Three Little Pigs, The Little Red Hen, Three Billy Goats Gruff, Owl Babies, Stickman, Dear Zoo* and many more

*We will make story maps to retell stories,*

*Our Independent Writing Wall will celebrate our own writing*

#### Mathematics

Our maths learning will be based around books and stories

**Just Like Me:** matching, sorting, making patterns, comparing amounts

**1, 2, 3 It's Me:** Representing and comparing numbers 1, 2, 3, circles and triangles

**Light and Dark:** numbers to 5, shapes with 4 sides, measuring time

We will practise recognising amounts and numbers using lots of different equipment and ways of representing amounts.



## Willow Class Autumn 2021



#### Physical Development

Our **PE lessons** (Wednesdays) will be gymnastics skills, including learning to negotiate space and equipment

Our **forest school** style sessions (Thursdays) will involve lots of fine and gross motor skills, such as tying knots, threading and climbing

**Fine motor skills** such as threading, cutting, drawing and correct pencil control for writing letters and numbers, will also be a focus.

#### Personal, Social, Emotional, Development

Our focus at the beginning of term will be being **ready to learn**.

Children will be encouraged to be **independent, confident and challenge themselves**

PSHE lessons: Being in My World

Celebrating Difference

#### Expressive arts and Design

Charanga music programme

Using materials such as paint, drawing, junk modelling, collage,

Exploring techniques such as fixing, joining, designing, cutting, sticking, collage

Singing familiar songs and nursery rhymes

Role play, playing instruments and dressing up and small world play

#### Understanding the World

RE: Special People: What makes People Special? (focus religions: Christianity and Judaism)

Christmas: What is Christmas?

Diwali (the Hindu Festival of Light)

Harvest Festival

We will look closely at the natural world and the changes of Autumn and winter