

# Nursery Curriculum Overview - Autumn 2



This half term our topic will be Light and Dark and Festivals which are important to us. We will hear lots of stories and rhymes related to Autumn, light and dark and other exciting events such as 'Bonfire Night' and 'Christmas'.



## Prime areas

This term the children will:

- Continue to become more independent.
- Further explore their environment.
- Begin to follow the expectations of the classroom.
- Take part in circle time.
- Begin to share and take turns with resources.
- Learn a variety of nursery rhymes and songs related to our topic.
- Continue to develop gross motor skills.
- Take part in activities to develop fine motor control.



## Literacy

### Reading

Children will:

- Listen to a variety of story and non-fiction books.
- Continue to identify sounds in the environment.
- Be exposed to a range of texts and print in the environment.
- Have the opportunity to select a book from the library to share at home.



### Writing

Children will:

- Continue to take part in activities to develop fine motor control.
- Explore a wide range of malleable materials.
- Begin to use writing implements to make marks and write their name.



## Maths

Children will:

- Continue to count and recognise numbers to 5 and beyond.
- Begin to use positional language.
- Be able to identify 2D shapes and begin to describe them.



### Other useful information

Forest school: Will take place on Mondays.

Kit should include waterproof trousers, wellington boots and thick warm socks. The coat your child wears to school on this day will be worn to Forest School as we do not have space to store additional coats. Please ensure children are dressed appropriately for the weather for example hats and gloves during the winter months and a sun hat as the weather improves.

P.E. - Tuesdays although the children will not require a PE kit until the Spring Term.

Library Days: Tuesday - Blue group, Wednesday - Green group and Thursday - Red group. Please ensure your child's library book is in his/her book bag on these days.

Wows from Home: You are invited to contribute to your child's learning journey by providing information about amazing achievements you witness at home. These events can be recorded on WOW bricks which we will hand out periodically. They can also be found in the Nursery folder on the school website. This information is extremely valuable and gives us an insight into your child's interests and enables us to plan activities which will enthuse and excite.

School Uniform: Please check that your child is wearing clearly **labelled** uniform to school. It has been brought to our attention that several jumpers and cardigans have already been lost this year and we have several unnamed items hanging randomly in the cloakroom. We would like to reiterate that children often want to remove jumpers during the session and it is an impossible task to reunite children with the correct clothing if it is unnamed.

#### Home Learning Packs:

We will be sending home some useful resources for you to share with your child at home. These packs are for you to use at your leisure. We will send them home on your child's library day and would ask that you return them the following week. Please help us by making sure that the packs are returned on the correct day in the same condition that you received them. This will enable us to exchange the packs on a regular basis.

Thank you for all the snack contributions we have received so far. A gentle reminder to those who have not paid, we would be grateful to receive your £20 contribution as soon as possible. The contributions allow us to provide alternative daily snacks for your children.

**Finally, thank you to all of our parents and carers for your support during the first half term. We will be holding parent consultations on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November. If you have not yet booked an appointment please email your preference to [nurseryhomework@warrenprimary.thurrock.sch.uk](mailto:nurseryhomework@warrenprimary.thurrock.sch.uk)**

Many thanks,  
The Nursery Team.