



# FS1

## Autumn 1

### Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parent / Carer,

We are looking forward to helping the children have settle into Wyvern nursery. This term we will concentrate on helping them to become more independent when their adults drop them off at Nursery in the morning. There are so many fun activities to try and we will help children to explore all areas of the Nursery with confidence. The children are getting used to the routines and are getting to know the adults and children in school. If you have any questions about how your child is settling in please do not hesitate to speak you your child's key worker. Our topics this half term are Nursery Rhymes and Traditional Tales.

## Subject Overviews

### Foundation Stage 1 Teachers



Mrs Bennett- Head of FS / Assistant Head



Miss Sharp- FS1 Teacher

FS1 TAs- Parrot  
Mrs Beale  
Mrs Presswell

FS1 TAs- Toucan  
Mrs Gates  
Mrs Bandara  
Mrs Khurshid

#### Writing

There will be activities during our independent learning that will strengthen their muscles ready for writing. We will have opportunity to mark make using a wide range of media including crayons, paint, markers, pencils and through our messy play. The children will begin to recognise that print carries meaning through looking at books and seeing writing around the nursery. Adults will model how to use a pencil or pen to write.

#### Reading

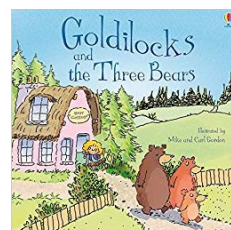
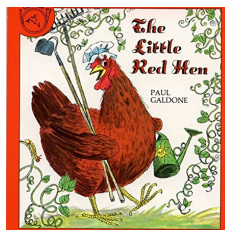
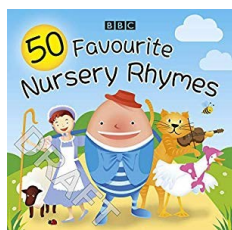
The children will learn Nursery Rhymes and will be encouraged to join in. Children will explore and listen for rhyming words. They will develop their listening skills as we share traditional tales. Some of the stories we will read together this term are Goldilocks the Three Bears and The Little Red Hen. We will have lots of activities during our independent learning related to these stories so that children can explore the topics creatively through their play.

#### Maths

The children will learn to sing lots of different number songs. They will practise counting orally, forwards and backwards, up to 10. The children will look at shapes around them in the environment. They will sort objects by colour, size and shape.

#### Topic

Our topics this half term are Nursery Rhymes and Traditional Tales. Through these topics we will talk about scarecrows and autumn and make our own bread. We can't wait to see where our learning takes us and of course we can't wait to taste the bread we make!



### **Personal Social and Emotional**

Children new to nursery will focus on settling in this half term. We are getting good at leaving our parents/ carers in the morning with a smile. The children are learning many new routines and rules in school, luckily we have some children from last year to help show them what needs to happen next. We are making lots of new friends and becoming more confident at saying what we need.

### **Communication and Language**

The children will practise listening attentively in a variety of situations. This will be through listening to stories and poems. They will practise joining in with familiar and repeated expressions in these stories. They will begin to communicate their needs appropriately including talking about their likes and dislikes. Adults will model speaking in full sentences and will encourage the children to use new vocabulary. We will encourage the children to use words to explain to others what they want or need.

### **Physical Development**

Children will be able to explore the outside in Nursery. We will use the bikes, use balls for throwing, and the slide. The children will also experiment with moving in different ways– crawling, slithering, running, jumping, and hopping. We will encourage the children to become more independent in going to the toilet and putting on their own coats. Please ask the children to show you how they can do things all by themselves when they are at home. They will have many opportunities to develop their fine motor skills for example through threading and mark making.

### **Understanding the World**

The children will explore the similarities and differences between themselves and their families. We will encourage them to talk about how they are the same and different to others in their family. We will also look for signs of the seasons changing. We will get a chance to make an autumn crown and talk about Wolverton's Scarecrow Festival.

### **Expressive Arts and Design**

We will listen to storytelling and create our own stories using props. We will experiment with paint and mixing colours. We will sing lots of Nursery Rhymes as well as 'The Dingle Dangle Scarecrow'. The children will have the opportunity to explore various construction materials. They will explore our topics using a range of media such as paint, markers, and collage materials.

***Parent Reminder: Please can water bottles have just water in them and not juice.***

**Please make sure that you label every item of clothing to help the children keep track of their belongings.**

## Homework

### **Reading**

Please share stories and nursery rhymes with your children at home. This will help your child learn new words and help them understand the way that stories and rhymes are structured. When reading stories, ask the children to explain what has happened. Here are some helpful questions to ask while you are sharing a story:

Where did the story take place? What happened next? Who was in the story? How did he/she feel?  
What is your favourite part? Can you tell me the story in your words?

### **Home learning related to our Topic**

#### **Week 4**

**Stars**– Decorate a star anyway you like. These will be sent home with the children to decorate.

#### **Week 6**

**Create a planet**– More information on this to follow.

### **Upcoming Events in Autumn 1**

- Parent's Consultation Evenings - 30/09/20 & 01/10/20