

Cygnet Class Curriculum News Autumn 2 2024

Celebrations

Communication and Language

We will be developing our speaking and listening skills daily through daily group discussion, circles times, PSHE times, story, rhyme time, singing and through discussing ideas arising from our focus text Owl Babies.

Personal Social and Emotional Development

We will be gaining independence in following routines, making new friends and getting to know the adults who support the class. Developing good learning behaviours will help us to learn and play together, to share, take turns, to talk, explore and investigate together. Our whole school focus is Collaboration and in our SCARF lessons we will be learning about Valuing Difference.

Physical Development

In our PE lessons we will be learning the basic principles of a PE lesson such as learning to find a safe space, freezing on command, using and sharing equipment, working individually, with a partner and in a group. We will take part in activities, through the theme "Fantasy and Adventure," to develop fundamental skills of running, jumping, hopping, skipping, balancing and crawling. We will play simple games and follow rules. We will be developing our fine motor skills by manipulating objects, developing pencil and paintbrush control. Taking shoes and coats off and putting them on.

Literacy

Our Literacy learning is based on the story Owl Babies by Martin Waddell. The book will be a starting point for developing our speech, writing, creativity and independent learning.

In our Sounds Write phonic lessons we will be learning to read and write simple, cvc (consonant, vowel, consonant) words eg "mat" using the letters

Unit 3 b,c,g,h
Unit 4 d,e,f,v
Unit 5 k,l,r,u
Unit 6 j,w,z

We will learn to read and write the high frequency words the, I, for, of, are and was.

Maths

We will be developing a deep knowledge of numbers 1-5 by recognising, instantly recognising (subitising), building, exploring 1 more and 1 less and investigating different ways of representing them. We will be investigating circles, triangles and shapes with 4 sides. We will be learning to use positional language eg in, on, under, over and learning about time through investigating day and night.

Understanding the World

We will be learning about the celebrations of: Halloween, Bonfire Night, Diwali, Christmas
We will use our senses to investigate Autumn, light and dark and feely boxes.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be learning about celebration music from different cultures. We will learn songs and to move to the rhythms. We will learn songs and action rhymes for our Winter play. We will learn to use black and white and paint night time forest scenes. We will use recycled materials and natural resources to make owls and nests. We will develop our cutting skills to make vegetable soup.