Cotwall End Primary School



Curriculum Newsletter Reception Autumn 2020

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This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term;				
Good Topic Work	Topic	This terms exciting topic is 'Autumn Glow to Frost and Snow' We will use exciting books such as 'Leaf Man' and 'The Gruffalo' to explore the world around us, make links and build on our super knowledge.		
	Literacy	We are excited about teaching the children a sound a day and encouraging them to build on their phonic knowledge so that they can 'have a go' at using and applying their super skills when reading and writing. The home-school phoneme book will allow you to practise the sounds with your child at home so that you can see how super they are!		
	Maths	Our focus in Maths will be number recognition, writing and counting accurately using numbers 0-20. We will then use all this super knowledge to work out 'one more' and 'one less' as well as to add and subtract. We will explore the properties of shapes by making pictures, patterns and going on shape hunts.		
	Communication and Language	We think that talking for a range of purposes in front of different audiences can help to significantly improve the children's confidence and speaking skills. The children will get plenty of opportunity to show us what they know through fun 'Show and Tell' sessions, role play and contributing their ideas and opinions during focus time.		
	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Our primary goal this term is to make sure that the children are happy, settled and get used to school routines. It is lovely to see the children being encouraged to be independent. For example, when coming into class and putting their things away. We are looking forward to seeing the children form positive relationships with the adults and the children in the setting.		
	Physical Development	The children will get lots of opportunity to play in the outdoor area and have PE lessons with our sports coach Mr Whitehouse. PE will take place twice a week, on Tuesday and Thursday. The children will also get the chance to develop their fine motor skills when cutting, drawing, painting and playing with malleable materials such as dough.		
	Understanding of the World	We are looking forward to allowing the children to use technology such as a CD player during choice time and teaching them how to use various software packages on a computer. We will be exploring seasonal changes and celebrating different cultures and festivals for example, Harvest.		
	Expressive Arts and Design	Mrs Barnfather, our music expert, will be teaching the children lots of songs and giving them the opportunity to play with the instruments. The children have already shown us that they love role play. As we all know the children love to create so if you have any spare 'junk' such as boxes and kitchen roll tubes please bring them in.		

Additional Information

- Show and Tell will start on Friday 2nd October– We will be sending you a letter about this.
- The children will have had a Sound Book, please look at it, ask your child to identify the sound and trace it. Bring the book to school daily. The children also have a key word book on 28/09/19 please practice reading and writing the words inside this book and bring it to school every Monday.
- Please do not send your child to school wearing jewellery as we may do lots of fun physical activities during choice time too. Please label all items of clothing so we can return them if they get muddled up.