

Literacy

In Literacy we will be focusing on the development of speaking and listening skills. We will begin to develop an understanding of phonics, spelling and tricky words. We will enhance our passion for reading through stories in class and we will begin to read and share books with you at home. The children will begin to develop skills in writing by learning how to hold a pencil and use it to form recognisable shapes, letters and drawings.

PSED

Personal, Social and Emotional Development will focus on settling your children into the Foundation unit and the rest of school, ensuring that they feel like a valued member of Shooting Stars class.

Music

The children will follow a music program which will support key skills in making music and learning rhythm.

Understand the World

Children will be encouraged to make new friends, engage with staff and talk about their families and home environment in order to break down barriers and make each child feel individual and valued. Children will explore the learning environment each week through our Explorers afternoon where they will be encouraged to take part in the planning for the coming week developing on their own interests, knowledge and experiences. Children will also develop their knowledge on seasons, focusing on Autumn and the changes which the Autumn season brings.

Math

In Math the children will continue to develop counting skills and number recognition through daily focused math sessions using BBC's 'Number Blocks' and the White Rose Maths Program as a tool for learning. The children will explore numbers, number systems and begin to look at calculating numbers through games,

Shooting Stars Autumn term 1 topic web!

'Marvellous Me'

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will be given the opportunity to get creative using various art materials, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function. The children will develop knowledge and skills on the safe use of materials, tools and techniques whilst creating their masterpieces.

RE

Children will be developing an understanding of Christianity by exploring what makes people special.

Communication and Language

Children will continue to develop communication and language skills through focused activities and free play. Listening and speaking skills will be encouraged through rhymes, stories and conversation during free play and carpet times.

Physical Development

Children will continue to develop fine and gross motor skills through focused PE sessions (managed by trained PE instructors within the Acorn Academy Trust), and through the use of manipulatives within the classroom environment, aiming to give the children the skills required to effectively control their body movements in order to develop tricky skills e.g. pencil control.