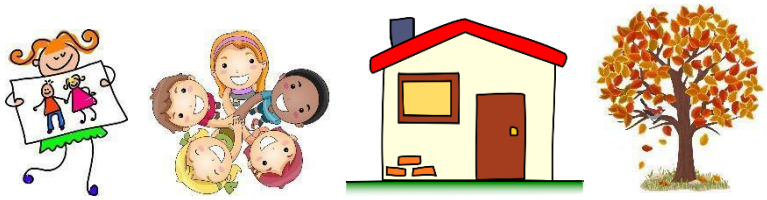
Learning in EYFS – Autumn 1 - 2026



This half term our theme is **'All about me!'**
This will include: learning about our families, where we live, parts of the body and will also include thinking about the season Autumn and Harvest time.

English/ Read Write Inc: The children in Nursery will be focussing on communication and language, listening to one another and asking and answering questions. In Reception, children will be following the Read Write Inc program – Set 1 sounds and using Fred talk to orally blend words. The children will be developing their handwriting skills through holding a pencil in the tripod grip and following the RWI rhymes to write letters correctly.	**Mathematics:** The focus for the children in Nursery is saying numbers in order to 5 or 10 and beginning to count a selection of objects accurately. The children in Reception will be focusing on subitising to 5, recognising numerals, out of order, to 10, accurate counting and singing number rhymes.	**Communication and Language:** The children will be encouraged to listen attentively and respond to what they hear. Make comments about what they have heard and ask relevant questions about the theme they are learning. Children in Nursery will have 'show and tell' sessions – talking about something they are showing and listening to their peers.
Personal, Social and Emotional: The children will be completing a range of activities through the SCARF PSHE program. We will focus on thinking about ourselves, identifying what makes us special and unique, talking about our feelings and thinking about those people who will listen to us and help if we have a problem. We will be promoting the school value of 'friendship and love' through our daily activities in the classroom. This will include learning what makes a good friend, how we share together, how we take turns and play together cooperatively.	**Physical Development:** The children will be developing their fine motor skills through using a variety of malleable materials including playdough and salt dough. The focus for both Nursery and Reception will be 'First PE' where we will be learning to negotiate spaces and obstacles safely, demonstrating strength with balance and moving energetically; running, jumping, hopping and skipping.	**Understanding the World:** Our theme this half term is 'All about me'. In this theme we will be thinking about ourselves and our families. We will focus on why we are unique, what makes us special, the things we do with our families along with science learning –naming parts of our body. We will think about the Autumn season and the changes that occur from Summer into Autumn.
Expressive, Arts and Design: The children will enjoy a variety of role-play activities through the half term; using our imaginations to show activities that we do with our families or at school. The children will be learning to use observation skills to create self-portraits. We will also think about the appropriate colours needed for our pictures including for hair and eyes. The musical hero of the half term is 'Avicii' with the main song choice of -The Nights/ Hey Brother. Our art hero of the half term is the author and illustrator - Nick Sharratt.	**Focus texts:** Marvellous Me - Lisa Bullard We are family – Patricia Hegarty My Family, Your Family, Our families - Emma Bernay In Every House on Every Street - Jess Hitchman Me on a map - Joan Sweeney Martha maps it out - Leigh Hodgkinson We're Going on a Leaf Hunt - Steve Metzger Super Duper You – Sophy Henn Hello Autumn - Jo Lindley	**Nursery Rhymes of the term:** Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes, I have ten little fingers Here are my fingers There were five in the bed One finger, one thumb **Magic moments:** Walk around the local area - Reception Grandparents in school to celebrate Grandparents Day