Nursery - Squirrel's Autumn Search

English

Read or watch the story of Squirrel's Autumn Search.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=egH9Wt5c_i4

Sing the Jolly Phonics songs for s,a,t,p,i,n Daily Phase 1 listening activities - general sound discrimination - body percussion. Give meaning to marks made.

Understanding the world

Discuss Harvest and talk about where our food comes from. Wheat-flour-bread Using our senses to look, touch and smell a range of vegetables that grow and are harvested at this time of year (cauliflower, leek, carrot, potato)etc Be able to say which ones grow above and below the ground.https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tICSQh6-X6g

Maths

Daily counting to 20. Realise anything can be counted - claps, jumps etc.

IWB - Topmarks counting games.

Look at 2D shapes and begin to use mathematical names for them. Go on shape hunts outdoors!

Physical Development

Developing greater control of moving in a range of ways and stopping/starting on command.

Using scissors, threading, fine motor skills activities to strengthen our finger muscles and pre-writing skills.

Continue to develop our pencil (tripod) grip

Art and Design

Vegetable printing using a selection of vegetables and begin to discuss the textures of them. Paint one of the characters from the story- use colours appropriately for tasks.

PSED and Communication and Language

Talk about the importance of Harvest Time and how hard the farmers work to harvest the crops that will feed us over the coming year.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5d2Mft72CXg

Talk about sharing and having kind hands in Nursery. Be confident to share ideas in a small group at circle time.

Outside

Use the outdoor kitchen (conkers, acorns etc) to make food/soup for the toy squirrels Use different size buckets and spoons/spades to explore capacity.

Construct using the large blocks and develop own ideas of what to build and know how to build safely too.

Things to do at home

Make cake/bread and discuss where the ingredients come from.

https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/rec