



Burscough Village Primary School  
**Nursery**  
**Autumn Term Curriculum Map**



In our early year settings, we take time to get to know the individual children and follow their interest to engage them in their learning. We progress through Development Matters and start with a basic topic but have the freedom to explore different fascinations and interests. If your child has a particular interest please talk to your child's key person as we would love to incorporate this in our planning.

	Communication and Language	We will develop our listening and attention skills through daily story times and instructional games. Role play in our home corner; small world areas and outdoor open space will support our communication skills as we re-enact our experiences through play. We will also be learning to understand different instructions given to us in the classroom and to engage in group and one to one conversation to share our ideas and experiences.
	Physical Development	We will focus on developing our independence in health and self-care, such as using the toilet and putting our coats and wellies on and taking them off. We will develop our fine motor skills through mark making in glitter and other materials. The children will replicate different patterns to work on coordination and control. Through our outside area, we will work on our moving and handling skills and navigating spaces. We will use our crate and plank challenge course to build up our balance skills and resilience.
	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	We will spend the Autumn term developing our routine and becoming familiar with our new social environment. We will be learning how to listen to others and to take turns. Children will develop relationships with peers and adults in our setting through all areas of our play, gaining confidence in our environment and in ourselves and our achievements.
Specific Areas	Literacy	We will share a variety of stories and rhymes, supporting our developing love of reading through the sharing of favourite stories and the discovery of new ones. We will learn to handle books carefully as well as beginning to join in with familiar tales. We will vote on an end of session story enabling children to develop British Values and promote pupil voice within class. We will take part in a variety of fun mark making activities to develop our emergent pre-writing skills. We will access a lovely writing area as well as writing resources throughout the setting, inside and out. We will take part in daily phonics sessions concentrating on Phase 1 skills.
	Mathematics	Lots of counting will be taking place in Nursery. As we play, we will be taking opportunities to count, sort and discuss the shapes of different objects, as well as beginning to investigate numerals in our environment. We will start to explore number through number of the week activities, thinking about how different number can be represented, experimenting with numerals, and counting.
	Understanding the World	We will be observing changes in the natural world, learning about the different seasons and commenting on what we can see. Over the Autumn term, there are many different cultural celebrations and traditions we can learn about. We will look at Diwali, Christmas and Bonfire night and learn about the story behind the different celebrations.
	Expressive Arts and Design	We will be taking opportunities to play with instruments, creating our own rhythms and singing familiar songs as well as dancing along to the music. Our small world figures will be used alongside our construction area to create some exciting structures and stories. In our creative area we will be able to experiment with different colours and materials as we paint and build; we will also look at natural art and patterns.
Outdoor provision		The outdoor area will also be used to deliver the whole curriculum, many activities will be planned to be carried out in the garden. Children will wear suitable clothing to experience learning in all weathers. Please provide your child with a pair of wellies to keep in Nursery and a waterproof coat. Children will be encouraged to access our mud kitchen.