

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- The Jigsaw PSED Scheme will encourage children to think about how to stay safe and healthy and why this is important in our everyday life.
- Our play-based learning will allow children to continue playing alongside others, share toys and resources, and take turns.
- Children will be encouraged to build their confidence by taking part in class activities, sharing their ideas and telling others about their interests and opinions.

Communication and Language

- Through all of our topics this term, the children will be exposed to new vocabulary that they will be able to apply in their learning.
- The role play areas will allow children to develop their speaking and listening skills as they have the opportunity to play imaginatively.
- Children will be encouraged to join in with new stories and nursery rhymes.

Physical Development

- The children will take part in weekly PE lessons which will build on the skills they have previously learnt and also encourage them to take part in some dance activities.
- Children will continue to have access to a range of fine motor activities in their continuous provision.
- Cosmic Kids Yoga will be used to encourage movement and mindfulness.

Literacy

- Children will be continuing their phonics journey by consolidating Phase 2 and 3 sounds and practising segmenting and blending words, as well as learning to read words that they cannot use their phonics to decode.
- Children will have the opportunity to learn and retell a number of Julia Donaldson stories, including Room on the Broom, The Gruffalo and Zog.
- There will be writing opportunities for children to complete around a variety of Julia Donaldson stories.

Term 4

Author Study: Julia Donaldson



Key Texts and Nursery Rhymes

Room on the Broom
The Gruffalo
Zog
Cave Baby
I can sing a rainbow
10 green bottles

Mathematics

- Children will be encouraged to recognise common patterns, such as those on dice and dominoes, without counting.
- Building on children's knowledge of number so far, they will begin to add and subtract numbers to 10.
- Children will explore how numbers to 10 can be partitioned in different ways and how that may look.
- Children's mathematical understanding will be supported by Numicon resources.

Understanding the World

- We will explore their senses and question and comment on the natural environment as they discover more about plants and animals.
- We will look at shadows and do some experiments relating to light.
- Children will explore Easter and why it is so important to so many people.

Expressive Arts and Design

- We will explore different ways of making sounds and music using the resources that we find around us.
- The children will have the opportunity to use a range of techniques to create art based around Julia Donaldson books.
- Children will be encouraged to play imaginatively and act out the stories of Room on the Broom and The Gruffalo.