

## Autumn (1) (September 2019)

As we settle into Nursery and begin to make friends; we will start our learning journey through the topic ‘Marvellous Me’. We will be celebrating our similarities and differences and sharing what we like and dislike. We will be discussing our families and important people and investigating our senses. We will also explore the season of Autumn. We will be looking at the changes that take place in our environment, learn a range of Autumn inspired songs and rhymes and share lots of Autumn themed stories. But beware, the big bad wolf is going to come huffing and puffing as we start our Talk For Writing journey through exploring the story of ‘The Three Little Pigs’. Will the big bad wolf manage to blow all their houses down?

**Maths-** We will be focusing number rhymes and songs. We will start to develop our counting skills and begin to explore counting with 1-1 recognition. We will investigate the quantity of items used to represent a number.

**Phonics —** We will begin daily phonics sessions focusing on developing our listening and attention skills. We will learn to listen out for sounds around our local environment.

Throughout Nursery we will continually strive to develop fine motor and mark-making skills. A daily variation of activities such as dough disco’s, write dance, funky fingers and construction area challenges alongside an array of mark-making media will be offered to best support your children’s progression into writing. We will also send home a weekly reading book which we ask that you read with your child as regularly as possible. Not only does sharing stories inspire their imaginations and develop their knowledge of story structures but it also helps develop their language and comprehension skills.

Here are **Ten Benefits of Reading for your Child** which should help you to understand the importance of reading with your child.

Please remember to label all personal items including jumpers, coats, water bottles and book bags. We kindly ask that all children please bring in a spare set of clothes that can be used if they get wet or dirty when playing. A t-shirt, track suit bottoms and a change of underwear will be sufficient.