

Literacy

We begin in Literacy by looking at and recognising our name in different scenarios. We then move onto writing our name and labelling the work that we do with our name. We will introduce Drawing Club in September and the stories that we will use will be: We're going on a bear hunt, Not Now Bernard, The Growing Story, The Magic Roundabout, The Tiny Seed, Popeye and Oliver's Vegetables.

We will also be learning a different nursery rhyme each week.

In phonics we will follow our Unlocking Letters and Sounds Scheme, we begin with listening to and making different sounds and then we will move onto Phase 2 sounds. We will send home a list of the sounds that we have learnt at the end of each term.



Communication and Language

This term we will focus on getting to know each other. In circle time, we will talk about our different likes and dislikes, about our family and where we live.

We will be encouraging the children to talk in sentences through daily practice.

We will also introduce the children to new vocabulary through our daily routines.



Personnel, social and emotional development

Our main focus for this term will be getting to know our friends and our school. We will be focusing on daily routines and our school rules and routines.

We will talk about our relationships at home and what makes us special. We will be talking about people who can help us in our immediate and outside community. We will be talking about our favourite objects!

Blackbirds Topic Map



All about me



Creative development



The main focus of this term will be allowing the children to be independent with the resources in the classroom and to explore the materials that we have both inside and outside.

We will be making our own Blackbirds to use in our classroom. We will be drawing our own self-portraits, making replicas of our houses with portraits of our family in. We will be making clay representations of our family and creating our names out of different materials. In music we will be looking at 'call and response' songs.

Physical Development

We will be introducing the children to our PE teacher Mr Swift. In his PE lessons he will be focussing on 'multi skills'.

We will also be doing indoor gymnastics which looks at the children's balancing, skipping, running and hopping skills. The children will practice their gross motor skills by using the equipment in the outdoor area and daily use of our bikes and scooters. The children will have daily opportunities to practice their fine motor skills through different activities such as beads and tweezers, threading, cutting skills, mark making. We will begin practising our handwriting through our Unlocking handwriting scheme.

Maths

We will continue to follow our 'Number Sense' programme this term, we will be looking at matching pairs, repeating patterns in shape and numbers and snap with doubles.

The focus for the beginning of the term will be looking at selecting shapes for a purpose, rotating and manipulating shapes and explaining shape arrangements. We are then are going to look at sharing and grouping. We will be looking at grouping odd and even numbers, grouping in twos and threes. At the end of the term, we will be looking at repeating patterns and then making up our own pattern rules.

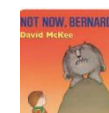


Knowledge and Understanding of the world

Our main focus for this term will exploring our local surroundings. We will be going on welly walks within our school and outside, we will be having trips to the local farm, park and church.

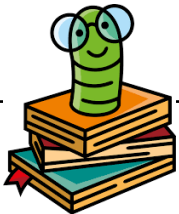
We will also be growing our own cress plants and using these plants to make our own sandwiches. We will be using all our five senses to explore our natural surroundings, by focusing on what we can see, smell, hear, touch and taste!

We will also be doing our own food experiments! When we go on our welly walks, we will be looking at signs of Autumn.



Our Essential Knowledge

Recognising my name
Knowing the names of the
children in my class and the
adults in the school
Knowing the names of the
classes in my school



Blackbirds Class Knowledge Organiser



All about me!



Our Big Questions

What I like and dislike?
Who is in my family?
Who are my friends?
How old am I?
What are the rules and
routines in the school?



Our Key Vocabulary

Me
Friends
Relationships
Likes
Dislikes
Birthday
Rules
Routines
Friendships
Emotions
Days of the week

