

This half term our topic is; **Out and About in Winter**

Our main texts will be; **We're Going on a Bear Hunt, Percy the Park Keeper and various winter themed texts.**

Personal Social and Emotional Development

The children will be encouraged to talk about themselves positively. They will talk about how to keep themselves and each other safe as we go out and about looking for signs of winter. They will continue to follow our Golden Rules.

Communication and Language

The children will observe and talk about the signs of winter. They will be encouraged to share their experiences and make links to the stories they have heard. They will play games that will encourage them to think critically.

Physical Development

The children will develop their gross and fine motor skills through dance, drama and PE. They will continue to gain confidence changing for PE and putting on their coats, hats, gloves and scarfs in preparation for our winter walks.

Literacy

The children will listen and respond to various fiction and non-fiction books linked to our topic. They will continue to follow Phonics Play activities from the Letters and Sounds programme and continue with the reading scheme. They will use the sounds they know to write labels, captions and stories linked to our topic.

Maths

The children will use our topic to develop their mathematical skills in various contexts. They will be focussing on addition and subtraction, ordering numbers up to 20 and recognising patterns. They will also be learning about money and taking real money to the shops to buy milk.

Understanding the World

The children will discuss and compare the similarities and differences between the four seasons. They will observe the changes in water as it becomes frozen and thaws. They will learn about some cold countries and habitats.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will use junk modelling to make props for their own stories and use the role play areas in the classroom and the playground to act them out. They will use different materials to make a season's poster.