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We will be exploring the theme of 'Creation'. The children will be nurturing an awareness of God in their lives, observing beauty in detail and order in God's creation. This will be linked to our Harvest preparation and celebration. Leading up to this the children will have the chance to say "Thank you" to God for our food.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The theme this term will be 'New beginnings' - we will be concentrating on separating from our carers, building friendships and being independent in our learning. Our focus will be on making simple rules and sharing our class resources when playing together.

You can help by: encouraging your child to share and take turns in games at home, talking about school and new friends they have made.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be painting pictures of ourselves and our faces and learning about choosing colours for a purpose. We will be using collage to make faces and we will be decorating biscuits. We will be learning topic based songs and identifying the different sounds we can make with our voices and bodies. We will be using the instruments to explore how sounds can be changed to be louder and quieter.

Literacy

This term we will be concentrating on recognising and writing our names. We will be looking at labelling parts of the body and retelling the Funnybones story in the correct order.

We will be starting phonics soon and the Reading Meeting will be on Monday 17th September at 3pm.

You can help by: sharing stories together, looking for letters at home, coming to the reading meeting!

Maths

This term we will be counting and recognising numbers initially to 10; counting objects reliably; matching 1:1 consistently, and creating patterns. We will be developing our understanding of taller and shorter as we measure ourselves by height.

You can help by: looking for numbers in the environment at home, counting together at every opportunity.

Understanding the World

We will be using our senses to learn about ourselves. We will be doing a taste test, smell test and play the feely bag game. We will also look at similarities and differences in our bodies (eye colour, hair colour, etc). The ICT focus will be to use the class computers building confidence in using the mouse, through playing games and creating some pictures of faces using the programme Dazzle.

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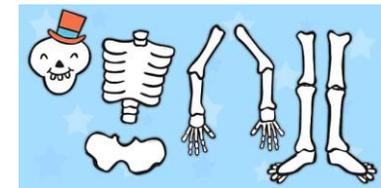
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Outdoor Education

Each week, on a Tuesday, we will be going on a 'welly walk' and exploring the outdoor classroom and mud kitchen that we are so lucky to have at St Mary's.

Please make sure your child has wellies in school and suitable coat - we will be going out in all kinds of weather so that we can see the changes in the trees and environment.



Physical Development

Our PE days will be Wednesday morning with Miss Haworth and Friday morning when we will have a specialist coach in to teach us. We will be practising getting changed independently. We will be concentrating on our gross motor movements - ways to travel- walking, running, skipping, hopping and jumping in all directions and learning how to move around the hall in different ways.

In our fine motor skills area we will be using lots of play dough, pegs and foam to get our fingers ready to hold a pencil and use it effectively.